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Moore to speak at Northwest

By PETE GUTSCHENRITTER
Assignment Editor

Michael Moore, who directed the controversial films "Bowling for Columbine" and "Fahrenheit 9/11," will speak at Northwest in less than two weeks.

Moore has officially agreed to terms to speak at 2 p.m. Oct.

9 at Bearcat Stadium, according to Young Democrats President Lizzie Sexton.

Since talks began Sept. 9, Moore has accepted a bid from Young Democrats, Sexton said. Tickets will be \$5 and all 7,500 seats at Bearcat Stadium will be available.

Moore's visit to Maryville is part of his national "Slacker

Uprising Tour," which began Sunday in Michigan. The 60-city swing state tour will take Moore across 20 states, including Missouri. Moore will be at Washington University in St. Louis Oct. 7.

Sexton is hopeful Moore's visit to Maryville will open communication lines among students.

"My goal through this is to get people engaged in the process of talking to your neighbors and talking to your friends; and not being afraid to talk politics and not being afraid to disagree, and not being afraid to listen to each other either; and think about compromise and think

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Michael Moore speaks at a recent engagement in Syracuse, N.Y. Moore will speak at Northwest Oct. 9.

The Aristo'Cats



Junior Chase Cornett and senior Lindsey Frerking smile after being crowned Homecoming king and queen last night. The crowning kicks off a Homecoming weekend of revelry for the Northwest campus.

PHOTO BY EMILY JACKSON/CHIEF PHOTOGRAPHER

City Council endorses new development project

Proposal would offer low-rent housing to elderly; budget for 2005 also approved

By AARON BAILEY
Community News Editor

The Maryville City Council endorsed a potential housing development project Monday that would benefit senior citizens and promote growth within the city.

The proposal would give elderly citizens an option for low-rent housing in the area.

Kim Lingle, owner of MBL Development in Blue Springs, Mo. proposed a 36 single-unit development community between

Aurora Avenue and Burris Road on the east side of town that would offer low-rent housing for anyone over the age of 55 and that falls under the average median income earnings for citizens of Nodaway County of \$27,000 a year.

The proposed two bedroom duplex-style homes would be fully handicap-accessible and under \$500 a month.

"We're excited to come to this community," Lingle said.

The Community of Faith church has endorsed the project, as well as Rep. Brad Lager and Sen. David Klindt, according to Lingle.

"I'm behind this 110 percent," said Mayor Michael Thompson. "This couldn't do anything but benefit the community. Anyway you look at it, it's an economic positive."

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Election draws near; students urged to vote

By SARAH SWEDBERG
University News Editor

The days are numbered for students who have yet to register to vote.

Individuals wanting to have an impact in this year's elections must register by Tuesday, Oct. 6 to vote in Missouri.

"Of course, this country is a democracy and it only works if people vote," said Nodaway County Clerk Beth Hann, who is in charge of all the paperwork such as preparing and gathering ballots, sending absentee ballots out and reporting all election results to the state.

So she urges students first to get registered, and then vote.

"Because their vote does count," Hann said. "I've had close elections and a few votes does make a difference. And of course this election is the presidential election, so that makes it even more important."

So far, Hann said few students have come to the Nodaway County Courthouse to register.

Due to the voter registration drives on campus, she said about 200 students have registered.

"Not a big turnout, but that's understandable because a lot of these students out here are not from Nodaway County," Hann said. "A lot of students want to vote at home, and that's perfectly acceptable. It is not my concern where they vote as long as they do vote."

However, Your Voice Your Choice member, Carly Jackson, said the most recent tally of registered voters equals 360 on-campus and 254 off-campus students.

Still Your Voice Your Choice has not reached the 500

mark in order to get a polling place in the Student Union.

"I was approached about that, but decided to keep it at the Wesley Center," Hann said.

Her decision was based upon wanting to honor the former Nodaway County Clerk John Zimmerman who, in the 2000 Presidential Election moved the First Christian Church precinct to the Wesley Center.

"It's all I can do for this election, this is just what I am going to do," Hann said.

However, Jackson and Student Senate President Chase Cornett are not satisfied with Hann's response to their request.

"We're really disappointed, but I'm still pushing for a polling place on-campus," she said.

University president Dean Hubbard and Cornett will talk with State Representative Brad Lager by phone conference Friday to discuss the issue.

"We weren't satisfied with her response she's given," Jackson said. "We are still going to keep on trying."

But Hann stresses to students the responsibility they have as an adult.

"I have 80-year-old women who come from 10 miles out of town and who are in wheelchairs and they come into town to vote on Election Day," she said. "It is a little hard to justify students that can't walk over to vote, when we have elderly people who will travel with health conditions to their precinct to vote."

Hann said out of state students would have to check with their local courthouse to receive an absentee ballot.

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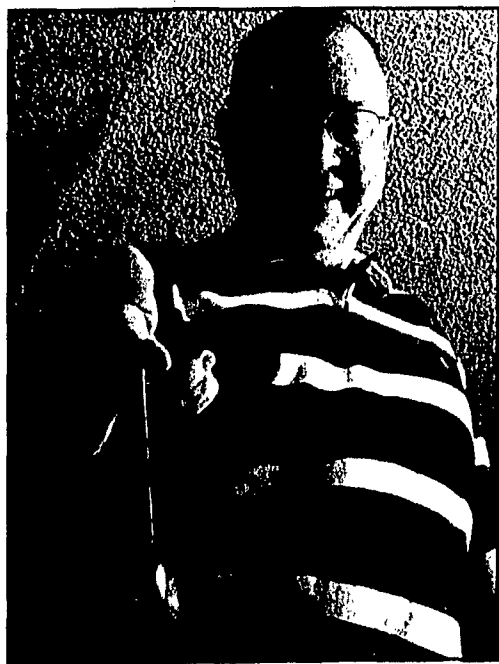


PHOTO BY STEVE SERRANO/CHIEF PHOTOGRAPHER
Glenn Jonagan is more than just a cancer survivor. He's also a retired principal and an acclaimed yo-yo master.

A new spin on life: cancer survivor gives inspiration to overcome

By JARED HOFFMANN
Chief Reporter

Cancer.

It is a word that strikes fear in the hearts of many. Sadly, of those who are afflicted, many lose the battle. But for some, it is a time to turn potential tragedy into triumph.

For 55 years, Glenn Jonagan's life reflected near-perfect health. Having rarely missed a day of work and suffering from no more than the occasional cold, the thought of a life-threatening illness never entered his mind.

His perception of health dramatically changed four years ago when he was prodded by members of the Northwest Wellness Program to undergo a colonoscopy, a routine test for individuals over the age of 50 which examines the rectum for polyps and cancerous tissue.

Though he was reluctant at first, Jonagan agreed to get tested—confident nothing would be found and life could go on as usual. But after completing the test,

his doctor delivered news that would change the course of his life. Jonagan was harboring a massive cancerous tumor in his colon. He couldn't believe his ears.

"I didn't know anything about colon cancer," Jonagan said. "I was just absolutely devastated."

Jonagan is just one in an increasing number of cancer victims throughout Missouri. A recent report issued by the Missouri Cancer Consortium and the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services showed that more Missouri families are now affected by cancer than ever before—four out of every five, to be exact. Unfortunately, the Jonagan family was not able to bear those odds.

Two weeks after his diagnosis, Jonagan underwent surgery to have the mass removed. The operation was declared successful, but it was only the beginning for Jonagan, whose doctor recommended chemotherapy treatments to prevent possible spreading of the cancer.

During his one-hour chemo-sessions, Jonagan had the opportunity to meet other individuals combating the disease.

"I would sit there with people that were far worse than I was and see how happy they were and how good they felt about things," Jonagan said. "That was probably the only good thing about the treatments."

Dealing with cancer is an uphill battle for many, but Jonagan's battle developed into a war as his father-in-law and two close friends were losing their fights with the disease. In hindsight, Jonagan sees irony in so many people close to him having similar afflictions.

"I would drive my father-in-law for his treatments before I knew that I had cancer," Jonagan said. "My two friends and I all got colon cancer at the very same time."

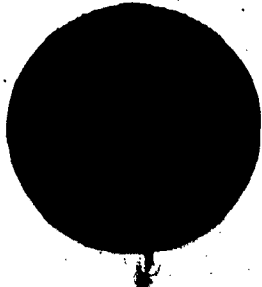
As Jonagan followed the road to recovery, his father-in-law and two close friends tragically lost their battles with cancer. This was news Jonagan was not prepared to take.

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Web Extras:

Log on to our Web site this weekend to view video footage from Saturday's Homecoming day parade.



Last Week's Results:

What political speaker would you like to see?

34%	Bill Maher
25%	Bill O'Reilly
21%	Al Franken
20%	Sean Hannity

Online poll:

What is your favorite Homecoming activity?

- a. Attending the game
- b. Waking up for Kegs & Eggs
- c. Being around friends and family
- d. Getting drunk night and day

National News

Rocketship has wild ride in quest for cash prize

MOJAVE, Calif. (AP)— Ignoring a warning to abort the flight, a test pilot took a stubby-looking rocket plane on a corkscrewing, white-knuckle ride past the edge of the atmosphere Wednesday, completing the first stage of a quest to win a \$10 million prize.

As spectators and controllers nervously watched from the ground, SpaceShipOne rolled dozens of times as it hurtled toward space at nearly three times the speed of sound. It reached an altitude of 64 miles over the Mojave Desert.

Spaceship designer Burt Rutan said he asked pilot Michael Melvill to shut down the engine, but Melvill kept going until he reached the altitude specified under the rules for the Ansari X Prize, a bounty offered to the first privately built, manned rocket ship to fly in space twice in a span of two weeks.

"I did a victory roll at the top," Melvill joked from atop the spaceship after it glided safely to a landing.

The problem was being analyzed by the spacecraft's builders, who must decide whether to proceed with another flight Monday in order to win the X Prize.

But Rutan and Melvill were confident the flight would go on as planned. Rutan said rolling occurred during flight simulations, and it was not a complete surprise when it happened on Wednesday.

"I've looked at it, and I think we just change out the engine and fill it with

gas and let it go," Melvill said.

The test pilot said he may have caused the rolling himself.

"You know, you're extremely busy at that point," he said. "Your feet and your hands and your eyes and everything is working about as fast as you can work them, and probably I stepped on something too quickly and caused the roll."

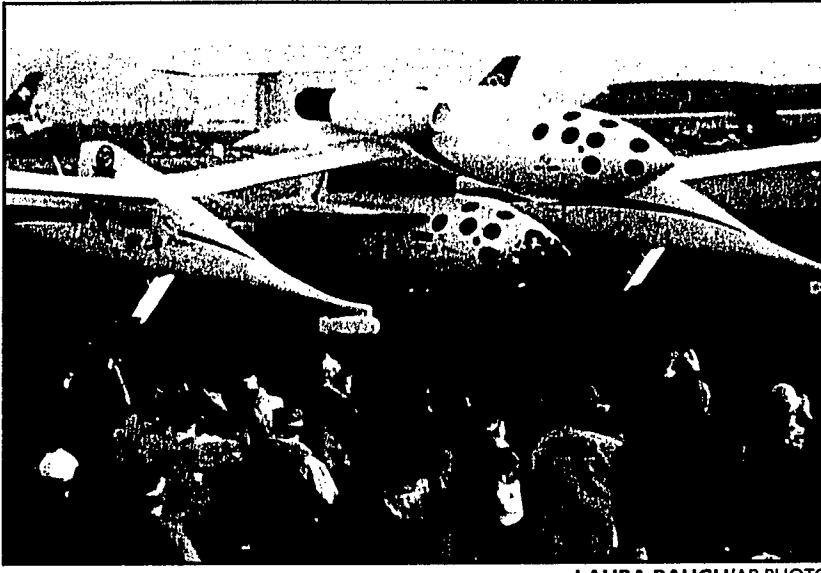
SpaceShipOne, with Melvill at the controls, made history in June when it became the first private, manned craft to reach space.

The Ansari X Prize will go to the first craft to safely complete two flights to an altitude of 328,000 feet, or 62 miles — generally considered to be the point where the Earth's atmosphere ends and space begins — in a 14-day span.

The St. Louis-based X Prize Foundation is offering the bounty in hopes of inspiring an era of space tourism in which spaceflight is not just the domain of government agencies such as NASA.

Rutan, with more than \$20 million from Microsoft billionaire Paul Allen, secretly developed SpaceShipOne and is well ahead of two dozen teams building X Prize contenders around the world.

During its 81-minute flight, SpaceShipOne climbed to 337,500 feet nearly 10,000 feet above its target, said Gregg Maryniak, executive director of the X Prize Foundation. The craft made more than two dozen unexpected rolls as the fat fuselage and spindly white



SpaceShipOne taxis out on the launch ship, White Knight, as the Mojave Aerospace Ventures Team attempts to win the Ansari X Prize in Mojave, Calif. on Wednesday.

wings shot skyward.

Rutan said controllers asked Melvill to shut the engine down early because of the rolling, but Melvill kept going until he was certain he would reach the target altitude.

"We actually were asking him to go ahead and abort, to shut it off to where he wouldn't have gone the (62 miles). He stayed in there just for a handful of seconds more," Rutan said.

Melvill said he did shut down the engine 11 seconds earlier than planned after determining the craft would reach its target.

The mission began when a specially designed jet with the ship under its belly took off from the desert north of Los Angeles. At 47,000 feet, SpaceShipOne was released, and Melvill fired its rocket motor and pointed the nose toward space.

A crowd of VIPs watched from below the airport control tower. The mission was televised live.

The Ansari X Prize was modeled on the \$25,000 prize that Charles Lindbergh won in his Spirit of St. Louis for the first solo New York-to-Paris flight across the Atlantic in 1927.

Whiskey lowers alcohol content

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP)— If you've noticed that your Jack Daniel's is carrying a little less kick these days, you're probably right.

The famed "sippin' whiskey," which advertises a recipe traced back to the nation's first registered distillery, has lowered the alcohol content of its flagship brand, Old No. 7 Black Label.

The whiskey now registers 80 proof, instead of 86 (or 40 percent alcohol versus 43 percent), and some drinkers feel betrayed.

"You can't screw with a legend like that and get away with it," said Frank Kelly Rich, editor of Modern Drunkard magazine. "I'm sure Jack is spinning in his grave."

The company says the switch was made because most customers prefer the less potent mix, which was marketed first in a few states and some overseas markets. The transition was completed earlier this year.

Those who want a stiffer drink can buy

specialty very Jack Daniel's Barrel at 94 proof.

"We were what we think our friends, customers wanted. Roger Brashears has worked with Jack Daniel's since the 1960s. Quality control is scientific. It's down to how the company Old No. 7 is reminding things just change."

Missouri News

MU students on probation for cannon

COLUMBIA, Mo. (AP)— Three University of Missouri students involved in the explosion of an old cannon outside their fraternity house have been placed on two years' unsupervised probation.

Seth R. Fagan, Daniel B. Dunn and Nicholas Adkins, all 21, must pay restitution totaling \$5,872 and perform 40 hours apiece of community service

as conditions of their probation, Assistant Boone County Prosecutor Steven Berry said Wednesday.

All three pleaded guilty last week to one misdemeanor count of reckless burning or exploding for their roles in the explosion April 29 outside the Kappa Alpha fraternity. Prosecutors dropped a misdemeanor count against each de-

fendant of the assault.

The reckless charge carries a maximum term of one year in jail and a \$1,000 fine.

No one was injured, but debris was flying when the explosion occurred, which occurred on the end of the war, blew up three fraternities were still with fireworks.

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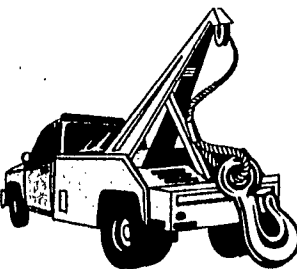
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Our View

Spirit lost?

As students and alumni alike prepare for the excitement of homecoming, some lack of enthusiasm is evident

An electric buzz about how "off the hook" this float or that float is going to be and how funny the Variety Show is usually accompanies the days leading up to Homecoming.

However, none of those staple entities that students and the community come to expect and love have been turned off. As Shakespeare would put it, the days preceding homecoming have been "full of sound and fury, signifying nothing."

The noise on campus the last two weeks hasn't been about floats. Instead, it's been the sound of complaints—mostly among some members of the community who are declining to participate in Homecoming is too early, or that points are being handed out this year.

As to the whiners: Deal with it. The world doesn't revolve around you. The number of new students, or lack thereof, should reinforce that point. As a weird twist, the Homecoming parade does not end on fraternities and sororities to do floats. Instead, the parade is condensed to merely school bands and politicians. And it goes without saying that there will be plenty of politicians lining up the parade this year.

The parade is really a chance for Greeks to have a chance to dispel the bad attitudes and innuendoes toward fraternities and sororities with a positive reward for their efforts. After reports of rushing rumors spread across campus, the school could have used Homecoming as a way to end the reputation they try to pride themselves on. It's yet another wasted opportunity.

When looking at the Variety Show, its popularity has declined drastically since Homecoming officiated down the acts of student emcees to a point of embarrassment. To add to the disappointment is the fact that the show appeared drastically reorganized just two days before the first curtain. What gives?

One of this disappointment leading up to Homecoming revolves one central aspect: the theme. The theme for this year's theme, "Bobby Goes South," is off somewhat ambiguous. Surely, there was a theme thrown out at the planning sessions for "Bobby Goes South." At first glance, this theme goes against common values and gives a bit of a stereotype-binged impression for a campus so dedicated to diversity. Upon closer review, the theme still doesn't offer up any kind of creative or original ideas.

Besides, why does Bobby always have to go South? In 2002, the theme was based on patriotism and uniting. Why not try and combat the division in the country and spoof to a political theme during an election year? It seems a little more relevant than having Bobby go South.

Nobody has seen or heard anything about Homecoming until this week. The public relations of Homecoming Week was virtually nonexistent. What was the logic of holding the information until virtually the last minute? All of the shortcomings this year's Homecoming Week has shown, at least give the planning chairs and organizations that have made an effort a pat on the back. We know they have spent countless hours throughout the year and we should thank them for that. But they know their responsibility to make sure everything runs smoothly. No one forced anyone to take on such a task.

All in all, it appears that some organizations may have dropped the ball on this year's festivities. But it certainly didn't help the cause with their whining. Just too bad these petty issues couldn't have been worked out in the summer—as opposed to the days leading up to Homecoming.

CORRECTION

The Sept. 23 story "New animal ranch may be to area" contained misinformation from Nelson. The Safe Haven Ranch has been working out of a rental space in Bolckow May. Also, the ranch is concentrating on programs such as obedience training, and necessarily a new facility. The Northwest Missourian regrets and apologizes for the error.



Softball slugger thankful for the game

When it was just a game, baseball couldn't be beat.

When a player's salary wasn't depicted as "\$3,500 per at bat," baseball was good.

And when people of all ages, shapes and sizes can play, baseball is great.

While the game of baseball is losing interest from the average fan due to whiny millionaires who won't bat lower than fourth, it's refreshing to see the sport the way it's supposed to be played.

At Northwest, the sports and recreation department offers exactly that: slowpitch softball. While the ball is bigger and the velocity won't even show up on a radar gun, it's all the same to me. And thank goodness for the sport.

Ten years ago, baseball was life. Barring practice in the morning, break in the afternoon and a game later that night was the norm for me. It continued to be that way all the way up to high school. I loved the ping of the bat, the smell of the grass, and how it felt to win a game even though I couldn't walk the next day because of a bad strawberry (technical term for bad burn on your back side after a bad slide). I played

My View



Pete Gutschenritter

for the love of the game. I didn't receive a dime for playing; and I wouldn't have had it any other way.

I idolized players like Ryne Sandberg, Mark Grace and Cal Ripken Jr. I would have loved to have seen players like Pete Rose, George Brett, Paul Molitor and Robin Yount play on a daily basis.

Fast-forward to the here and now, and that breed of baseball players are similar to my 1969 Cubs shirt: unique and no longer in use. Players like Alex Rodriguez, who collects \$28 million every 162 games, and Sammy Sosa, who tells his coach through the media

that he "doesn't bat lower than fourth," kill the game.

Thank goodness for slowpitch softball. For two hours, you can put away the sports page filled with greedy "baseball players," and grab the same mitt you played with in little league. You can recite lines from "Major League" and "Bull Durham" without having to hear about the Evil Empire (a.k.a. the New York Yankees).

Whether you burn the centerfielder with a shot to the fence or dribble a full swing bunt down the third base line, you go home happy. You go home happy, not because you won a seemingly meaningless game, but because you were able to relive the memories of playing sandlot baseball with your friends on a hot summer day.

Hitting a slow, high-arching softball with a metal bat may not be as difficult as hitting a 99-mile-per-hour pitch with a wooden bat, but it sure is fun. After all, having fun is the point to playing the game, isn't it?

Evidently, today's big league sluggers didn't get that memo.

Independent stuck in the middle on election day

With the election coming closer and closer every day, it's impossible to do anything without hearing about the candidates and who deserves to be in the White House. Turn on the TV, and there's a picture of President George W. Bush or John Kerry speaking. Drive to work, and the truck in front of you is covered in "Bush Cheney '04" bumper stickers.

Elections are easy for people who belong to a specific political party. If you're a dedicated Republican, you get Bush; more of a Democrat, congratulations, Kerry is your man. However, as an independent voter, the race becomes more interesting as the mudslinging grows thicker and harder.

Throughout my life, I've been torn about political parties. Most of my family are Democrats and think Bush still didn't deserve to win the election in 2000 (to which I plug my ears and pretend not to listen), while my boyfriend and many other classmates are Republican and think Kerry is a nutcase. While talking about the War in Iraq, someone brought up the draft policy, and another person claimed, "If Kerry gets elected, there will be another draft." Liberals to the left of me, conservatives to the right, and here I am, stuck in the middle on Election Day.

I do want to know as much about the candidates as possible, but it's impossible to hear about it without a biased view. From what I've seen, inde-

My View



Alexis Hejna

pendent voters are few and far between (and I'm not counting the "apathy voters" who don't care who gets elected). I chose to remain independent because my views swing to both sides. Sure, I agree with liberal views like gay marriage, but I'm also partial to conservative views on gun control.

When the last presidential election came up, I became mostly bored with the candidates. My parents and I would watch the political debates (while laughing at Bush's horrible public speaking skills), and I would look up and say, "Could we just get rid of the 22nd amendment and keep Clinton in for another four years? I prefer him over either of these guys."

This is the first election I'll be old enough to vote for, and my ears are wide open to the candidates and their views. However, that's not what I'm hearing. Here's what's going through my ears:

"Bush bad blah blah Kerry stupid blah blah gay marriage

blah blah war in Iraq blah blah blah vote for me."

The election is no longer about the issues, but about smearing the competition's name into the ground. Political TV ads talk about how Bush has no idea what the issues are and how Kerry will destroy everything our troops have fought for in the war.

If that wasn't enough, the Democratic view has become less "pro-Kerry" and more "anti-Bush". Even my parents have admitted that they think Kerry has a tendency to jump back and forth on certain issues, but they are still voting for him. Kerry is on a mission not to become President, but just to get Bush out of Washington as fast as possible. Ask any Democrat on the street why they are voting for Kerry, and I bet they will not say a single word about their candidate—just that Bush is an idiot.

While it does get confusing with all the political ads and constant bickering over who's better, one thing is clear: I have the ability to vote for who I think is truly the best, be it Republican, Democratic, or some other party (OK, fine, I'll admit it; I wanted to vote for Nader). I'm an Independent voter not because I don't care or I'm too lazy to get involved in politics, but because I refuse to side because I vote for the person I want, not a political party. Independent voters need to raise their voices. Just because we're not part of a party doesn't mean we don't care.

YOUR VIEW

What would your ultimate Homecoming theme be?



"It would be a spa theme because who doesn't want to get pampered?"

Sara Capra
Graduate
English



"A Very Brady Homecoming" because the Bradys are the ultimate and everyone loves them."

Debbie Mueller
Graduate
Secondary Education
English



"We are Family" because we don't hear that song enough. Sorry, all I could think of was Sister Sledge."

Brett Barger
IDM



"The ultimate homecoming theme for me would be the Care Bears because it would make the parade really cool. And during this homecoming we should celebrate love, tenderness and feelings. Or chocolate."

Luke Haer
Broadcasting/
English



"That episode of 'Who's the Boss' where Tony walks in on Angela in the shower because if it can bring Quahog together imagine what it can do for Maryville."

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Local candidates square off in debate

By JARED HOFFMANN
Chief Reporter

In preparation for the upcoming elections, local candidates met for an open debate Monday in the Northwest Student Union Ballroom to state their cases before potential voters.

The debate, sponsored by the Minority Men's Organization, featured speeches from each candidate and open questioning from audience members.

The thick of the debate fell between Nodaway County Sheriff candidates—Democratic candidate Rick Smail and incumbent Republican Ben Espey.

Espey stood behind his experience in the position, while Smail claimed it is time for "new blood" in the position.

One key argument made by Smail was that members of the community had been consistently dissatisfied with Espey's ability to respond to what seemed like less serious calls. Espey quickly refuted that by arguing that his lone deputy is not nearly enough to take each call and that important calls must take precedence. Despite this, he said no calls go unanswered.

Following the debate, Espey doubted Smail's ability to hold the position of sheriff.

"Rick's a good guy," Espey said. "But he doesn't work the road, he doesn't know how to do a budget. He's out of touch with making arrests, doing the booking process and doing the court work. I do those things all the time."

Smail also stated his case.

"I feel like I can better serve the county," Smail said. "I feel like I can take it to the next level and do a better job. The voters know it's a time for change and improvement."

Things got slightly confusing during a debate between North District County Commissioner candidates Democrat Lou Schreck and Republican Bob Westfall. Although vying for the same position, the two appeared to join forces during the open-question period from the audience.

The two took turns aiding each other during questioning and at one point Westfall clearly stated in response to a question of why he chose to run as a Republican.

"In politics for this position, it doesn't mean a heck of a lot of difference," he said.

Both Schreck and Westfall passionately stated their desires to help the community and listen to the concerns of citizens.

However, on several occasions Schreck and Westfall diverted questions about city budget and road construction, at which time Sheriff Espey brought forth information on what it would take for a commissioner to get those jobs done. Both candidates seemed to agree with Espey on all fronts.

The third and final candidates who attended the debate were Republican Public Administrator Julia Lyle and Democratic challenger Susie Nelson.

Lyle promoted her prior experience as public administrator as a strength to carry with her into the new term. Nelson proposed that her experience in healthcare makes her better suited for the position.

Election day for all candidates will take place on Nov. 2.

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PHOTO BY ABBY SIMONS/EDITOR IN CHIEF
Nodaway County Sheriff Ben Espey (right) discusses his contributions to the county during his 12 years as sheriff as Democratic challenger Rick Smail looks on. The Minority Men's organization sponsored a debate for local candidates on the Northwest campus Monday.

Political camps ready for rumble

By KIMBERLY L. BRAND
Missourian Reporter

As Election Day approaches, Democratic and Republican headquarters set up their turf in preparation for high activity.

Located at 522 N. Main, Maryville, the Republican Headquarters celebrated its official ribbon-cutting Sept. 24. Dave Ackman, owner of Maryville Domino's Pizzeria, donated the building space for the campaign.

"It's so very generous of him," Federated Republican Women's member Martha Brown said.

Brown explained that the headquarters operates entirely by volunteers.

"All the volunteers man the tables and help distribute signs and information materials," Brown said. "Republicans have always been a give group, but we rely on volunteer help."

Political parties may not agree on every issue, but universal emphasis is placed on citizens' need to exercise their right to vote.

"It's the number one importance to make sure that you vote," said public campaign committee member Allen. "Everyone needs to get out and vote on candidates—both local and national."

Joe Baumli, county chair of the Democratic Central Committee, agreed with Allen on the importance for voters to get involved.

"The Democratic Party has always been a grassroots party, a party of working-class," Baumli said. "But it's important for people to take time from their schedules and get involved."

The Maryville Democratic Headquarters, located on Third Buchanan streets, has been open a couple weeks now and is gearing up for what Baumli expects to be a busy election season.

Baumli encourages everyone, especially young voters, to become knowledgeable of the candidates and issues and to participate in the democratic process.

"Let's get out and vote and use your conscience," Baumli said. "I really want to encourage students to get out and vote and make a difference."

NEWS IN BRIEF

Maryville resident to face jury for two arson charges

A jury trial has been set for Scott Vergith on Feb. 23-25 at Nodaway County Courthouse Division I, for allegedly starting two separate fires at the same Maryville residence.

Vergith was arraigned Monday in front of Judge Roger Prokes pleading not guilty to two felony counts of second degree arson. The maximum penalty for one count ranges from one day to one year in jail, one year to seven years in prison and a fine from \$1 to \$5,000.

Vergith is currently being held in the Nodaway County jail on \$50,000 bond.

Democratic nominee for county coroner named

Last minute withdrawal by incumbent left county clerk in tight situation

By AARON BAILEY
Community News Editor

After the incumbent Nodaway County coroner bowed out of the election on the last possible day, not only did the Democratic Party have to search for a new candidate, it left the County Clerk's office in a bind to have absentee ballots ready by the federal deadline.

Linda Luke was named the new Democratic challenger on Tuesday,

allowing County Clerk Beth Hann to begin reprinting the ballots.

"This has been an enormous problem," Hann said. "We were getting pressure from the federal government to make sure that military personnel received their ballots. The whole process came to a halt and nothing could be done until the Democratic Committee named a new candidate."

When current coroner Thomas Scarbrough withdrew on Sep. 21, the last day candidates can remove themselves from the ballot, an Oct. 5 deadline was set for a replacement to be named.

The Democratic Central Committee acted quickly to find a new candidate.

"We believe Linda is the best candidate for the job," said Joe Baumli, county chair for the Democratic Central Committee. "She'll do a top-notch job for the county, she's the best viable candidate and we're very excited about getting Linda into this position."

Luke has been a registered nurse for over 13 years and ran against Scarbrough four years ago.

While humbly confident, Luke believes her medical background gives her the experience needed to excel as county coroner.

"I really appreciate the nomination very much," Luke said. "My nursing history gives me the skills to be compassionate and I have a very precise and thorough career history."

Hann hopes to have the reprinted ballots by tomorrow to distribute.

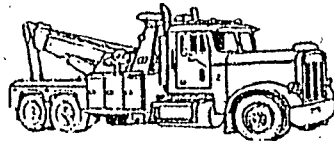
Because Scarbrough withdrew so late, he had to draft a letter to Judge Roger Prokes for assistance in getting his name removed. The court granted his withdrawal, but ordered that Scarbrough is responsible for paying for the reprints.

Hann did not know the total costs of the reprints, but in Scarbrough's letter of withdrawal he stated that he would accept full responsibility.

Scarbrough also stated in the letter that the reason he is not seeking re-election was to pursue a Master's Degree at Northwest and to be able to spend more time with his family.

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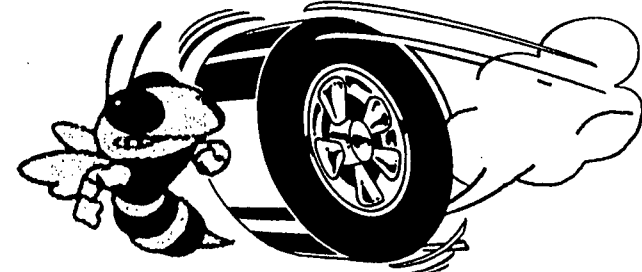
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By AARON BAILEY
Community News Editor

Members of the Maryville City Council were in Washington D.C. last week with Missouri legislators to lobby for funding for the Northwest Regional Airport and to connect with the lawmakers for their

During this legislative year, a bill was attached to a Housing and Urban Development bill to fund various improvements at the airport. The bill was rejected, however, legislators discovered that the funding was misappropriated and had to be attached to a Federal Transportation bill.

The problem has been fixed, and the bill will be presented to the legislature sometime early next year.

During the trip, the council met with Rep. Sam Graves, Sen. Jim Talent in separate meetings.

"Hopefully, by next spring we'll know for sure what we'll be receiving (for airport improvements)," said City Manager Matt Chesnut. "The support we're getting from Sen. Talent, Rep. Graves and Sen. Bond has been great. That's key for us."

The council members were all pleasantly surprised at the extensive amount of time one legislator gave to listen to their concerns.

"One thing that surprised me was the time Sen. Talent spent with us and how concerned he was with our problems," Mayor Michael Thompson said. "Considering he's from the St. Louis area, he gave us a lot of time, he knew who we were and strongly supported us."

Thompson, Chesnut and Mayor Pro-Tem Ron Moss all agreed that the meetings were extremely positive and the legislators all supported efforts to improve Maryville.

"I felt the trip was very posi-



PHOTO COURTESY OF THE MARYVILLE CITY COUNCIL
Maryville City Manager Matt Chesnut, Mayor Michael Thompson and Mayor Pro-Tem Ron Moss met with Sen. Jim Talent (second from right) last week in Washington D.C. The council members visited with Missouri legislators to discuss Maryville projects.

itive," Moss said. "We talked to them about the airport and other areas that we believe are vital, not only to the city, but to the region."

The council members received

contacts for officials in Jefferson City, Mo. and Kansas City among others whom the council plans to be in touch with on current and future city projects.

"We see this as a beginning, not just one trip," Thompson said. "We really want to make sure Maryville is on the tip of their tongue concerning development."

spin on life: overcoming cancer

It was just a real crusher to me," said. "Those were probably the worst of the last four years."

Recent statistics seem to indicate cancer as being an inevitable part of life, new research has given the form of preventive action. According to the report, *Cancer in Missouri Right Now*, 65 percent of cancers can be attributed to a sedentary lifestyle and use of tobacco products.

Study stresses four preventive measures that may help lower our risk of cancer. 1) Avoid tobacco consumption. 2) Eat healthy and nutritious food. 3) Increase physical activity and get regular screenings.

According to Sue Gille, chairman of

Nodaway County Crusade Against Cancer, raising awareness is perhaps the number one line of defense in the fight against cancer.

"You should know your family history," Gille said. "Know if relatives have had cancer and begin screenings sooner."

Jonagan offers similar advice on stopping cancer before it starts.

"You should be very alert to taking tests," Jonagan said. "If I had the test done earlier then I probably wouldn't have had to go through all this."

Jonagan said one of his most enjoyable forms of therapy comes from playing rounds of golf.

"Friends of mine insisted that I do something to get out of the house," Jonagan said. "Now I go every chance I



PHOTO BY STEVE SERRANO/CHIEF PHOTOGRAPHER
Glen Jonagan and his wife Betty relax in the living room of their home in Maryville. "I can't give you an inspirational or heroic story, (cancer) is just a monster that you deal with," Jonagan said.

get and I've never felt in pain out there."

Jonagan said that although fighting cancer is the toughest challenge of his life, he still keeps a logical perspective on the entire ordeal.

"I can't give you any inspirational or

heroic story," Jonagan said. "It's just a monster that you deal with and, in my mind, I've got it whipped."

For more information on cancer testing, visit the American Cancer Society at www.cancer.org.

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Council eyes project

Monday's meeting also involved the council's approval of the 2005 budget, which was unanimously approved with a "reluctant" yes vote by Mayor Pro-Tem Ron Moss.

"I just had just had some personal items concerning the image that the council or City Hall puts forward and our budget did not address that," Moss said.

Moss cited improving the City Hall chambers as just one area that would help enhance the image that the council projects to the city.

Also, 10 residents were present at the meeting to voice their concerns over a proposed ordinance that would have rezoned property at 225 W. 16th St. from single family residential to multi-family.

The council unanimously rejected the ordinance.

Habitat for Humanity home ready next month

By DOMINICK HADLEY
Missourian Reporter

After two years and countless hours of preparation, the Nodaway County Habitat for Humanity will celebrate the completion of its first house in Hopkins, Mo., during a dedication ceremony Oct. 31.

The original dedication was scheduled for Oct. 3, but was pushed back because of minor construction delays.

During the ceremony, area church leaders will make presentations and the keys will be turned over to owners, Jeremy and Melissa Calfee.

It started with a vision to help families in need of adequate housing in Nodaway County.

Concerned about some of the county's existing housing conditions, members of surrounding communities gathered together to establish the Nodaway County Habitat for Humanity.

According to Habitat Vice President Barbara Scott, the process to establish the organization was very thorough.

They were approved in September 2003, and the group purchased its first piece of land in December 2003.

For Scott, the hard work and effort was worth the wait—considering the number of families they will help.

"It brings awareness that there is an issue or a problem," said Scott. "If all of us involved through Habitat are helping families then that is a lot of people getting helped."

According to Julie Ervin, a member of the family selection committee, Nodaway County has serious housing problems. Area rent and property values are extremely high, especially in Maryville.

"A house that you could buy in a smaller county worth \$50,000 is \$125,000 here," said Ervin. "What we are trying to do is build simple, decent homes that people can invest in and maybe increase the worth of the community."

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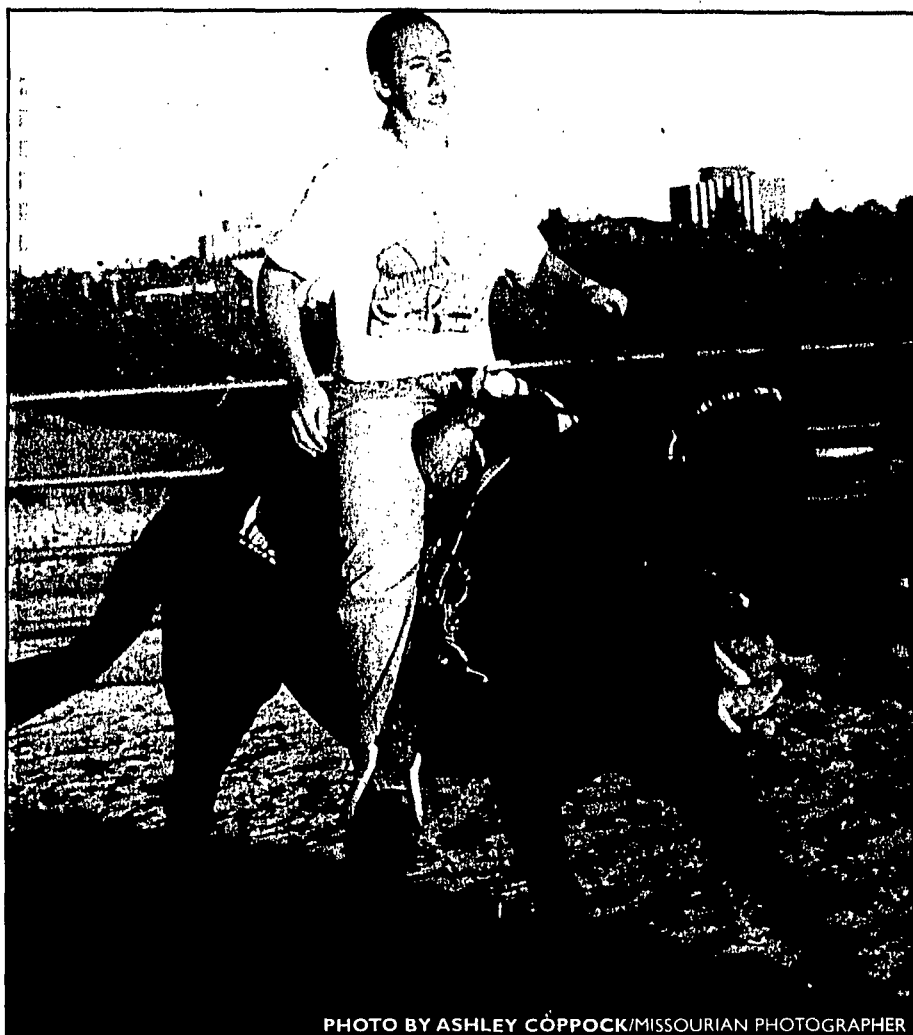


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Northwest Equestrian Team member Jennifer Bauer and her horse Little One circle the Ed Phillips Memorial Arena during an evening practice. Team members show horses from September to March.

Young Equestrian team stands strong

Organization builds membership going into competition season

By SARAH SWEDBERG
University News Editor

Showing a horse in competition is no easy task. Ask Andrea Rowland.

"I really didn't know what it was all about until I got involved," the Nevada, Mo. freshman said. "I didn't realize how hard it was not being able to ride your own horse and then trying to make it look good and make yourself look good."

As a first year member to the Northwest Equestrian Team, Rowland said she competed in halter showing in eighth grade through her sophomore year of high school. Now she wants to learn more about competitive riding.

"In practice they help us to remember how to hold our posture, keeping our elbows in and how to stay in control," she said.

In competitive riding, she said, the judges look at how well she keeps the horse under control and how good she makes the horse look.

Some techniques, Northwest Equestrian president Kari Kern said include making the horse look collected, how the reins are held, how the rider's heels are placed in the horse's side and the rider's body posture.

"These techniques are what the rider can do on any horse to make them look good," Kern said. "To make them look the way the judge would want them to."

Depending on whether they are competing in Western or English shows, their dress apparel also adds to the image of

the rider and the horse. Their garments range from helmets and boots to breeches, show shirts and a Hunt jacket. Riders must also supply their own saddle. Altogether, horse show participants could spend hundreds of dollars to compete.

This is the case for many of Northwest's Equestrian Team members. Plus the teams are at a disadvantage compared

to other Intercollegiate Horse Show Association universities and colleges that are provided with funds from their institutions.

So, members personally fund their attire and competition expenses. They also fundraisers by organizing a "Stick Horse

Show," selling decals, banners and blankets.

Their weekly practices are around when horses can be ridden to the team.

When they do have horse team practices every Thursday at Ed Phillips Memorial Arena.

Along with competitive riding other events riders participate in include show jumping and reining.

The two-year-old organization has more than 20 members in its first year compared to six last year. Members may either be individual or on the team, which competes in Intercollegiate Horse Show Association shows in Missouri, Kansas and Illinois from September to March.

Kern said most competitive team participants in take place at the side of Northwest Missouri State University, as opposed to the country.

"It seems like in this area, showing hasn't really become as popular as it used to be," she said. "It's more popular closer you get major cities."

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Vice President of Advancement search continues

By SAM MUCHIRI
Missourian Reporter

Since Lance Burchett took a career step to Ringling School of Art and Design, in Sarasota, Fla., the chair for Northwest's Vice President of University Advancement has remained vacant.

Northwest administrators, led by University President, Dean Hubbard, have been searching high and low to fill the position.

The new job includes responsibility for overseeing the Campaign for Northwest, fund-raising, alumni operations, and the alumni database, as well as providing staffing for the Northwest Foundation.

"We are looking for somebody with

the experience and the energy to lead us through the rest of the campaign, which runs through 2007," Director of Development Greg Reichert said.

The president has set up a search committee to oversee the search for Burchett's successor and hopes to fill the position by Jan. 1, 2005.

Applicants from throughout the country have applied for the position, but the committee has not yet found the ideal candidate.

"The process is moving right along and the president has narrowed the search to a few people who seem fit for Northwest," said Director of Athletics Bob

Boerigter, a member of the search committee.

Although the search has been pretty tedious, committee members anticipate Hubbard will wrap it up soon.

"If everything goes according to plan he might have it done within a couple of weeks," Boerigter said. "But on the other hand sometimes the process takes longer because people decide to withdraw or they are not the right fit."

Hubbard has been conducting most of the interviews himself.

The Northwest Foundation is known for its contribution to the University. The new vice president will have to continue with leadership for

that area, Boerigter said.

"We are looking for someone who feels that this is the place they want to be affiliated and associated with and have decided to be a Bearcat," Boerigter said. "People that fit with proper experience, who will continue to provide leadership for that area."

The successor will be a member of the President's Cabinet and although a University employee, he/she will work with the Northwest Foundation board of Board of Volunteers, which consists of about 36 people. The people include alumni and friends who aid the campus financially.

The Campaign for Northwest hopes to raise an additional \$33,677,426.

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Moore to speak at Northwest

and not being afraid to listen to each other either; and think about compromise and think about cooperation," Sexton said.

While "Bowling for Columbine," and "Fahrenheit 9/11" have both drawn international awards and have been the center of controversy over the last four years, Sexton first saw Moore in "Roger and Me," a 1989 documentary that chronicled the destruction of a General Motors plant in Flint, Mich. Sexton was hooked on Moore's mission.

"I just always knew he was an activist and that he genuinely cared about his community, and he cared about specific issues," Sexton said. "I always saw him acting out of com-

passion and passion, and not out of anger or hatred."

Moore's six-week tour will end Nov. 2 in Florida. The purpose of the tour, Moore said through a press release, is to get 56 percent of the voting to the polls—a percentage that has been reached since 1968.

"The non-voters are the poor, the disenfranchised, the single moms and people," Moore said in a press release calling for a non-voter uprising by thousands of campus slackers proudly sleep (until) noon and vote (until) papers are for rolling, not real.

More information on where Moore and the community can go to get tickets will be available early next week, Sexton said.

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Survey reveals alcohol stats

By SAM MUCHIRI
Missourian Reporter

More than three quarters of Northwest students partake in alcohol-related activities, a recent survey revealed. An average of 76 of 100 students consume alcohol once a week or less on campus, a two percent increase from last year, and a three percent decrease from 2002. Results are derived from the CORE survey, a nationally-normed instrument focusing on alcohol and drug related issues supported by Faculty Senate and endorsed by Membership in Partners in Education, a statewide coalition of colleges and universities. It has been offered in the Northwest for the past five years. CORE's goal is to reach out to students to make good decisions based on accurate information about drinking. The CORE survey is one of the ways to look at students' reported alcohol and drug use behavior on this campus and of the consequences that alcohol and drug use has for them," said Carol Cook, Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs.

551 students took the survey last year as part of their class work in a stratified random process that involved all levels of classes.

The survey is an element to provide accurate information about alcohol and drug use in regard to students' perceptions, a process called social norming.

According to the survey, 16 percent of students have never used alcohol, 37 percent use one to two times per year, 24 percent use alcohol once per week, 20 percent use alcohol three times a week, five percent use alcohol five times a week, and one percent use alcohol daily.

Private parties provided the best haven for drinking with 67 percent. This was a decrease from last year's 81 percent.

Results of the survey are used to make amendments and help students make responsible decisions regarding alcohol and drug use. Additional information is provided by Campus Safety and discipline reports on campus.

"One of the things we do is sit down with everyone who has an input to this issue to develop strategy to deal with it,"

Cowles said.

The survey is also major part of harm reduction mainly through the Substance Abuse Task Force, which is a University and community-wide board of students, faculty, law enforcement officers, business owners and administrators who devise strategies to educate students about alcohol use.

"The main objective is to reduce the number of drinks per setting and the harm it causes," said Virginia Murr, assistant Director of the Health Center. "We also inform students about the dangers of drinking and driving, alcohol poisoning and how alcohol hurts students both academically and health-wise."

The survey also shows a six percent decrease in students driving while intoxicated.

The federal government requires institutions to hold the CORE survey every two years. Some of the problems addressed by the survey last year were students missing class or having a blackout.

A civic-minded Bearcat

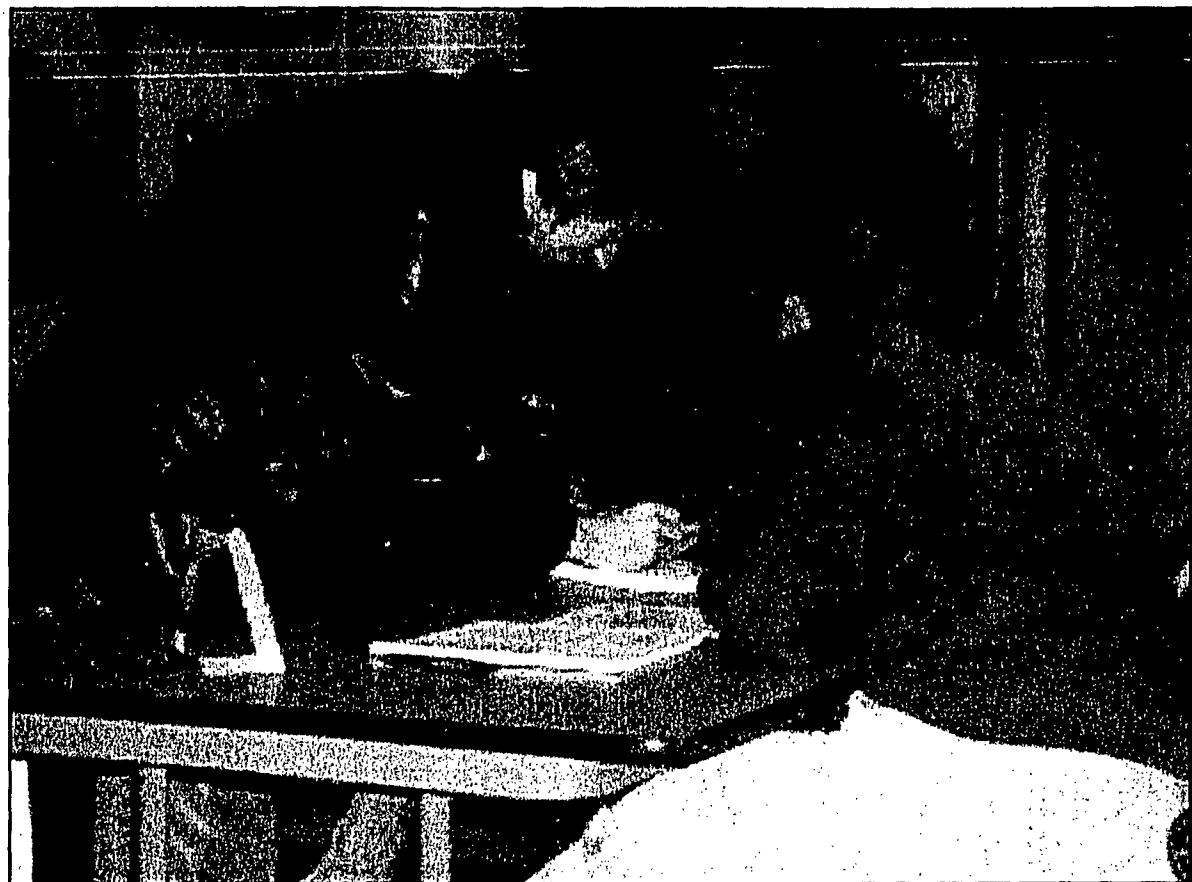


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Senior Ryan Cook registered Tuesday to vote in the Nov. 2 general elections in Nodaway County instead of absentee voting in Clay County, where he is from. "It's just easier to vote here than to go vote in my hometown," Cook said. "I don't have a car of my own." Aaron Baker, Missouri Academy student representative to Student Senate, assisted Cook in the voter registration process. Baker will spend a couple hours this week encouraging students to register to vote.

Drivers optimistic about Safe Ride Home

By PETE GUTSCHENRITTER
Assignment Editor

On any given Friday or Saturday night, Mike Ortiz just might be your

and eight other students are the behind the University's Safe Ride

and in its second trimester, Safe Ride's popularity has forced the University to add two drivers and one van.

For this trimester, the number of calls have solidified the additional driver van. On average, Safe Ride has received nearly 50 calls per week.

As the raw numbers can cast a glow over the work of students like Ortiz, he is a college student who likes to have fun on the weekend. From 10 p.m. to 4 a.m. on Friday or Saturday, Ortiz is driving a Maryville assisting students who need a ride.

His dedication to serve the community doesn't go unnoticed, Ortiz says, by the people who the program is designed for—the students.

"We get a lot of compliments all the time," Ortiz said. "I meet quite a few people who I didn't know, who are in some of my classes, and it's a smaller world than I thought it was."

The night of a Safe Ride employee begins at 10 p.m., when one dispatcher and two drivers arrive at the conference room inside the Campus Safety office to set up. Two more drivers arrive at midnight to help combat the expected rush when bars close for the night.

Elisha Damon, in her second trimester with the program, said the addition of a new van has helped speed up the process.

"Last year, we got busy at around 1 a.m. when the bars closed, so we couldn't take everyone because we had a certain number of people we could take at one time," Damon said.

With Homecoming this week,

Damon expects a lot of calls. In fact, the University will be offering rides tonight, Friday and Saturday.

Safe Ride driver Cynthia Marshall said she hopes students use the program to avoid trouble with the law, or worse. The program, Marshall said, is there for a reason.

"You're killing two birds with one stone, in helping other people. You're preventing accidents from happening as well as preventing people from getting DWIs," Marshall said. "This program has so many advantages to it, and the fact that it's free and convenient, why shouldn't people use it?"

While the Safe Ride drivers and dispatchers sit in a small office on a weekend night, it may appear like not much fun. But Ortiz enjoys it.

"Driving around and making friends, and helping people get to where they need to be, I have a blast," Ortiz said.

Students can call 562-1245 from 10 p.m. to 4 a.m. for a ride home.

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Election draws near; Northwest students urged to vote

with their local courthouse to receive an absentee ballot.

In Missouri, students who are not able to go to their polling place on Election Day may vote absentee beginning six weeks prior to an election.

Mail or faxed absentee ballot requests must be received by the election authority no later than 5 p.m. on the Wednesday prior to any election.

Voters can vote by absentee ballot up until 5 p.m. that Wednesday.

If you have registered to vote by mail and are voting absentee the first time you vote, you are required to provide a copy of your identification with your absentee

ballot request unless you provided a copy with your voter registration application, which can also be found online.

"And that's for obvious reasons, that's in order for us to mail it and for them to return it in time for it to be counted," Hann said.

However, Hann says anyone is welcome to call or come by her office if people have questions or want to know what the rules are.

"I know that everyone's time is limited so usually a phone call would be the easiest," she said. "And I'll answer their questions right away."

If individuals have questions regarding their own home state Hann has contacts available.

"That's the best I can do to assist them," she said. "I'm just the paperwork person. I can't lead them, I can't hold their hand and bring them up here and I can't lead them to the polls, that part is their responsibility."

Hann's wish for every election, but the presidential election in particular, is for young people to take voting seriously, to pay attention to events happening in our country and to exercise their right to vote.

"Their future of this country and they need to be involved," she said. "I would hope that students would forget where they are voting and say 'This is the day I vote and I am going to place my vote,'" Hann said.



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AND
JESSICA SCHMIDT
MISSOURIAN
REPORTER

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400,000

students annually have unprotected sex while under the influence of alcohol.

Source: The Boston University School of Public Health.

Source: Virginia Murr

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Source: Virginia Murr

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Bearcats et key MIAA ctory

Northwest knocks off
las in four sets,
end doubleheader
to come for team

By MEGAN CRAWFORD
Missourian Reporter

Northwest volleyball squad
in a high intensity win on
Friday.

Bearcats took the Pittsburg
orillas to four games. The
were 25-30, 30-28, 30-
30-25. The first game
out with a lot of emotion.
game was crucial for the
s in the MIAA race, as well
g them an emotional boost
g into this weekend's

ight was a very big win for
d coach Lori Slight. "The
re jumping more and we
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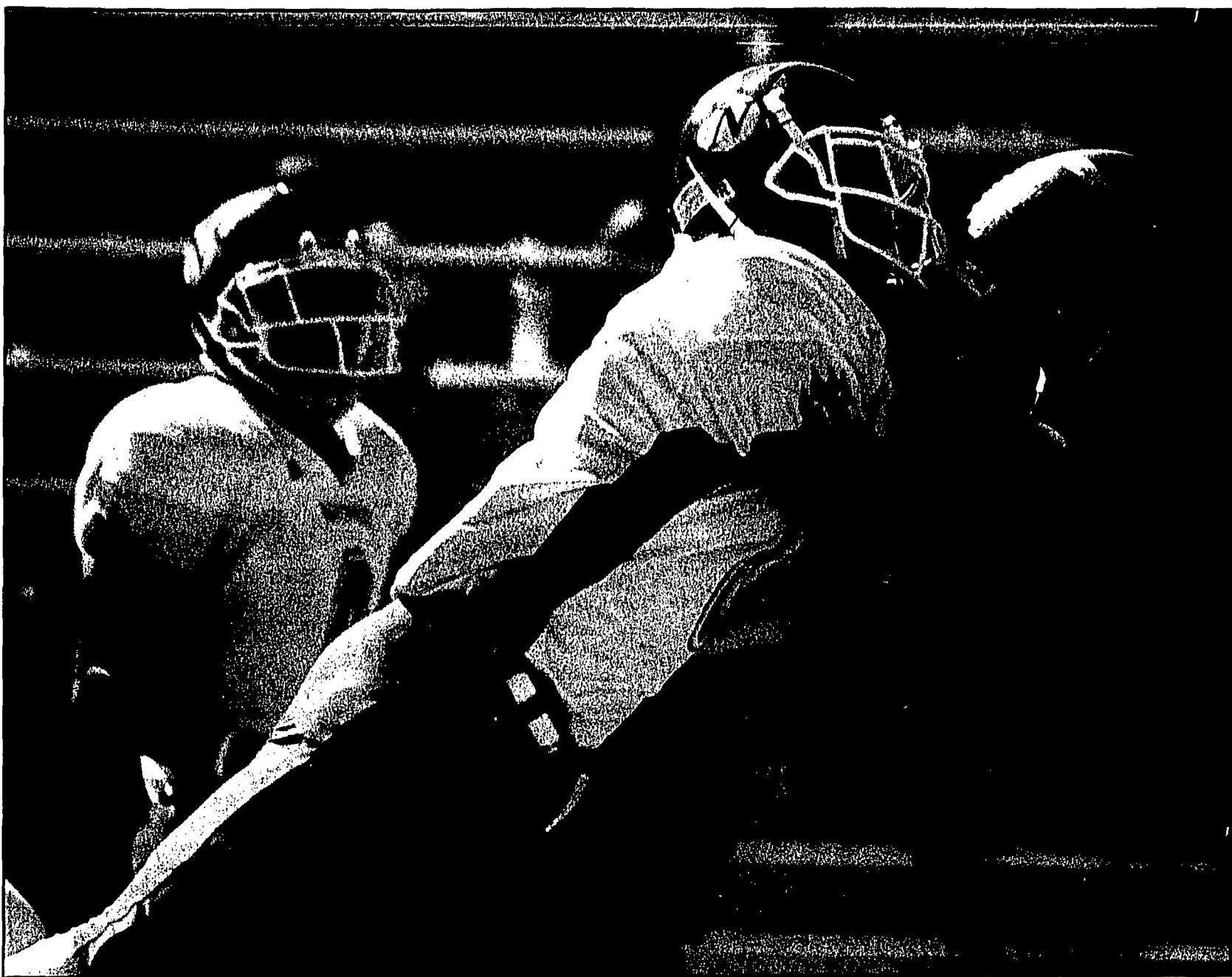
ve
win and that kept us
tter all around," said
Sarah Trowbridge.

last three games, the
ed intense, using blocks
ive serving to help them
ree out of four wins for

week we had a rough
winning tonight was a
ry," said senior Steph
We are a young team,
ill learning to play with

Bearcats travel to play
Baptist and Missouri
State this weekend in
AA matchups.

can be contacted at 562-1224 or
sourianonline.com



EJ Falkner makes a diving catch against Washburn on Saturday. Falkner, who hauled in his first career receiving touchdown, helped guide Northwest to a 49-21 MIAA victory.

PHOTO BY COLEYOUNG/SPORTS EDITOR

DIVING INTO EMPORIA

By COLEYOUNG
Sports Editor

Coming into Saturday's matchup
against Emporia State, the No. 5
Bearcats can officially say they have
answered one of their question marks.

At the beginning of the season,
many people questioned whether the
offensive line would be able to play
at the level expected of Northwest.

The biggest measuring stick for
the offensive line has been the addi-
tion of the running game.

"Any time we see guys like Xavier
(Omon) and Mike (Feich) have big
games, that makes us feel good," said
lineman Brad Schneider.

Perhaps the biggest accomplish-
ment for the line was when they
paved the way for Omon's 223-yard
performance against Central Missouri
State.

The Mules, who had not allowed
a point all season, saw the Bearcats
dominate on the offensive line, allow-
ing 274 yards on the ground to
Northwest.

"What we have tried to do is put
our five best guys on the field," coach
Mel Tjeerdsma said. "I feel like right

now we have them out there."

One of the biggest moves that took
place for that was the moving of Joe
Holtzclaw to the guard position.

While many have been plagued
with injury on the offensive line, Brad
Schneider has not been.

"We were just talking about that
the other day and usually I am the
injured one," Schneider said. "I think
this year I've been about the most
healthy one."

Another bonus for Schneider has
been the 25 pounds he lost during the
off-season.

"I think Brad losing weight has
really helped him out," Tjeerdsma
said. "It has made him so much mo-
bile which was what our offensive line
needs."

Northwest is going to need a
strong performance from their off-
ensive line in order to stop a strong
Emporia defense.

"They have a pretty tough de-
fense," Tjeerdsma said. "They could
cause lots of problems for the offense
on Saturday."

The Hornets have the third-ranked
defense in the MIAA behind Pittsburg



The Northwest offensive lineman take a break during the Washburn game last Saturday. The Bearcats' line helped pave the way for their 49-21 win over the Ichabods in Topeka.

PHOTO BY STEVE SERRANO/CHIEF PHOTOGRAPHER

State and Northwest.

When Northwest goes to the air,
they will face a stingy pass defense that
has allowed only 153 passing yards a
game.

One problem that some may
worry will be plaguing the Bearcats

is the diversion of a homecoming
game.

Tjeerdsma was quick to dispel
that rumor.

"Our guys know what their job
is during the week," he said. "I don't
think focus will be a problem for us."

Capital city to regain major league baseball

WASHINGTON (AP) — The last
ation's capital was home to
al pastime, the game was
rior.

formed the field with two
ninth inning of the Wash-
ators' farewell appearance
adium on Sept. 30, 1971,
owner Bob Short's decision
ne team to Texas. The Sena-
leading the New York Yan-
but the game was not fin-
declared a forfeit.

kids just went wild," said
ortman, the longtime Sena-
ic address announcer. "They
ring up the turf with their
d putting it in their pockets,
to the dugout. Anything that
ailed down, they were pick-
There was not dissatisfaction.
as hate."

was also the expectation
a few years or so, Major
Baseball would find a way to
am back in Washington. In-
the last three decades became
iding parade of frustration as
e call after another failed to
ize. A hopeful city turned into
aded city. Baseball in D.C.?
It'll be the day.

day has finally arrived. On
day, Major League Baseball
ected to announce that the

Montreal Expos will be relocating to
Washington for the 2005 season.

"I've lived here all my life. I was a
Washington Senators fan in the old
days," retired Washington resident
Bob Ryan said. "It's good to have it
back."

Baseball takes pride in the fact that
its franchises rarely move — the Sena-
tors were the last team to relocate —
so it took an extremely unusual set of
circumstances and a willingness to pay
a steep price tag to give Washington
its long awaited reward.

The money-losing Expos were
bought by the other 29 major league
owners in 2002, and the search be-
gan for a new home for the team. Las
Vegas; Norfolk, Va.; Monterrey,
Mexico; and Portland, Ore., all made
bids, but none of those locations
could match the Washington area's
combination of a wealthy population
base and a ready-made stadium that
can be used while a state-of-the-art
ballpark is being built.

"The stark, staring fact is 'Where
else?'" said baseball author and politi-
cal columnist George Will. "You can't
do something with nothing. Someday
Norfolk-Hampton Roads, maybe.
Someday Las Vegas, maybe. Not now.
Who can say with a straight face those
are better for Major League Baseball
than the Washington, D.C., area?"



Hugo Lachapelle hugs his Expos doll before Wednesday's game. The Expos will move to Washington after 35 years in Montreal. They were Canada's first major league baseball team.

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Even so, deadline after deadline
was missed as baseball sought the per-
fect financial deal. Washington came
through with a \$440 million package
that includes a new ballpark on the
Anacostia River, giving the city a clear
advantage over a rival bid from North-
ern Virginia.

Much of the upfront money would
come from a tax on the city's biggest
businesses, which the City Council
would have to approve. For some, the

deal is too generous for a city that
struggles to fund schools and city ser-
vices.

"I think everybody is excited about
baseball coming to the District," City
Councilman Adrian Fenty said even
as he sounded a caution: "Very few
District residents are excited about a
full subsidy to pay for this stadium.
... At the end of the day, you're not
going to have (enough) council mem-
bers support it."

MIAA offers invitation to Fort Hays

By JEROME BOETTCHER
Assistant Sports Editor

It didn't take the MIAA long to get
a response.

With the University of Missouri-
Rolla leaving the conference next year,
the MIAA is trying to find a replace-
ment.

While they
have not offi-
cially found a
replacement,
they have ac-
cepted an ap-
plication from
Fort Hays State University.

Fort Hays State, located in Hays,
Kan., was then extended an invitation
by the MIAA's CEO Council for the
school to join the league in 2006-
2007.

"We are happy that Fort Hays
showed interest in joining the MIAA,"
Commissioner Ralph McFillen said in
a release. "It is the belief of our cur-
rent membership the addition of
FHSU, will strengthen the confer-
ence, and at the same time be mutu-
ally beneficial for the school."

PLEASE SEE "FORT HAYS STATE" PAGE 2B

'Hounds prepare for champs

By JEROME BOETTCHER
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

The schedule just doesn't seem to
get any easier for the Spoofhound
football team.

Just a week after knocking off the
No. 3 team in Class 2A, the 'Hounds
not only have to face the third best
team in class 3A in Harrisonville but
they have to beat them on the road.

However, the 'Hounds don't seem
to be worried as they go on the road
for the third time in four games.

"I think every team wants to play
at home, it's far easier," head coach Paul
Miller said. "But right now maybe
being on the road is the best thing for
us. Because again we're talking about
mental preparation and keeping our
focus for 48 minutes. Those things
are more difficult, I think, at home
because you have more distractions."

Harrisonville sits at 3-1, just two
games after their 16-game winning streak
was snapped by 4A Carthage. However,
the team is still powerful as they shut
down host Warrensburg 35-0 Friday.

In their loss to Carthage, the Cats
gave up 34 points, the most they have
given up since their season opener in
2003. The 'Hounds have averaged
24.6 points a game.

"We have to be able to establish a
running game and throw the ball to
the perimeter," Miller said. "Spread
(Harrisonville) out and force them
out of that pressure kind of situation
where they think they've got us out-
numbered."

Please see "Harrisonville" page 6B

Watkins leads way for MHS

By BETH MEYER
Missourian Reporter

At a time when games really
count, and the Spoofhound softball
team is making the most of their
final regular season.

On Senior Night, Maryville beat
the Benton Cardinals 16-6. Maryville
finished the game in six
innings, largely in part to a seven-
run second inning.

"It's a really nice win for the se-
niors because they've been through
it for four years and they have
worked hard," coach Kathy
Blackney said. "I'm just really
proud of them."

The 'Hounds committed only
two errors in the contest, both com-
ing from wild throws on the same
play.

Senior pitcher Sarah Scott
picked up the win, allowing nine
hits and striking out nine.

At the plate, Maryville matched
a season high of 14 hits in the game.

Megan Watkins led the charge
at the plate, going 4-5. Kristin
Degase, Caitlin Woods, and Dana
Demott went 2-3 on the night and
senior Shana Miles was 1-1, ripping
a two-run single in the fourth in-
ning to aid a four-run inning.

"The past three games have been
a lot better," commented Blackney.
"I just hope they continue into next
week and on into districts after
that."

Also contributing to the score
were Emily Howell and Jordan
Gadbois with two RBIs each.

After ending their home season
with a strong performance, the
Maryville softball team dropped a
9-5 decision against the Lafayette
Irish on Monday.

The Spoofhounds held the Irish
scoreless for the first four innings
of the contest, but Lafayette was
then able to score their nine runs.

Sarah Scott handled the pitching
duties, but lasted only three innings
due to a flaring elbow injury.

Sophomore Caitlin Woods re-
lieved Scott and took the loss.

Megan Watkins went 4-4 at the
plate, scoring two runs for the
'Hounds.

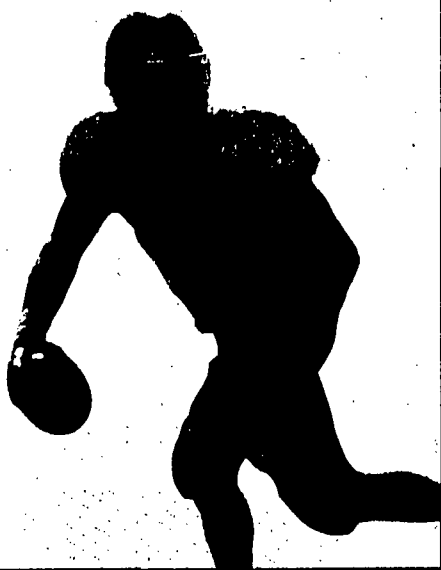
"We're ready [for districts]," said
coach Kathy Blackney. "We're not
going to get any more ready. We've
got a week and a few games, and
we're ready."

MIAA

Don Black Award winner prospects

Josh Lamberson
QUARTERBACK

Lamberson has already had his share of big games this season, so it would certainly be no big surprise to see him have a big day on Saturday and walk away with the game's MVP award.



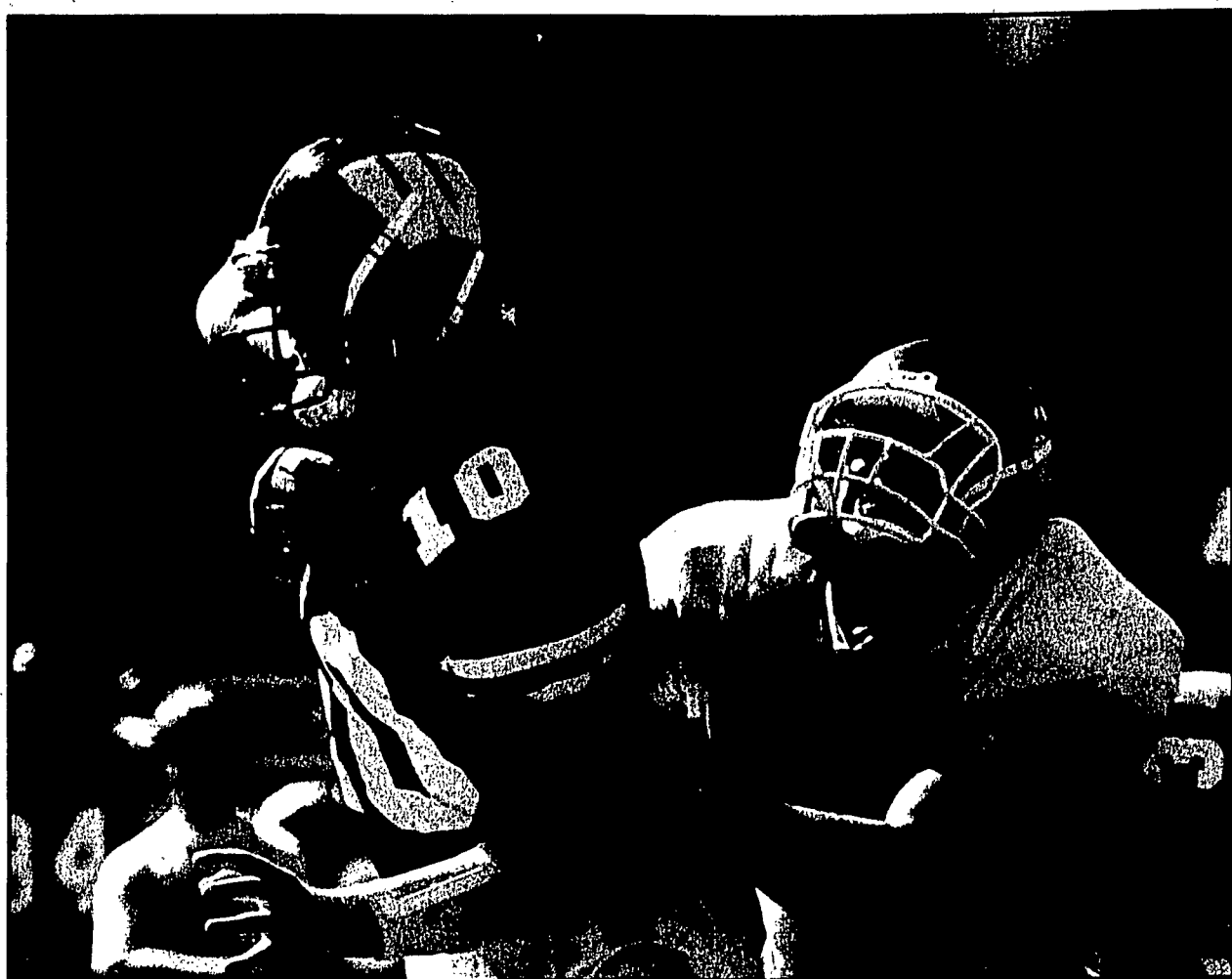
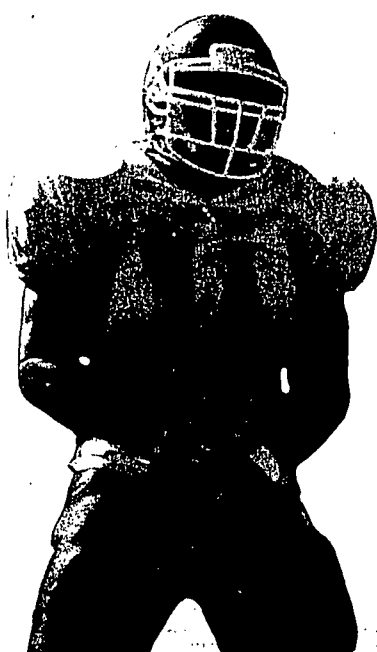
Jamaica Rector
WIDE RECEIVER

Rector owns nearly every Northwest receiving record, yet he hasn't had a huge game this season. With the receiving corps back at full strength, this could be Rector's opportunity to earn the award.



Adam Long
LINEBACKER

A defensive player has pulled in the MVP honor in the past two seasons. With the defense as strong as it has been in years, there is no reason one of the team's top linebackers couldn't earn the award.



Linebacker Ben Harness goes for the sack against Washburn on Saturday. The Bearcats' starting defense allowed on one touchdown in the game.

Defense shuts down Ichabod backs

By COLE YOUNG
Sports Editor

When the Bearcats arrived at Yager Stadium on Saturday, they found a Washburn team full of confidence.

Their confidence didn't last for long. Northwest used a balanced offensive attack to come away with a 49-21 win.

Leading the charge was running back Xavier Omon who was the first to deflate the Ichabods with a 44-yard run in the game's opening drive.

The Bearcats eventually scored on a nine-yard toss to Jamaica Rector from Josh Lamberson to take a 7-0 lead.

Northwest continued their assault jumping out to a 14-0 lead. The Ichabods were able to get on the board though when the Bearcats fumbled the ball in their own endzone.

After closing the gap to seven, that was as close as Washburn would get.

One of the keys to Northwest's easy win was their ability to shut down Washburn's leading rushers.

"We saw some things in their offense that we thought we could exploit," linebacker Troy Tysdahl said. "Coach told me to go after some of their weaknesses and that's what we did."

Tysdahl finished the game with four tackles.

"I thought we played really well on defense," Northwest coach Mel Tjeerdsma said. "We got after the quarterback well. We put a lot of pressure on their quarterbacks early. You know we stopped the running game. They really didn't break a lot runs of any significance. We did a lot better job of tackling today than we have in the past. That made a difference."

One thing Tjeerdsma wasn't so happy with was the team's second half performance.

Scoring by Quarters

NW	14	28	7	0	49
WU	7	7	0	7	21

Xavier Omon
95 yds, 2 TDS

Josh Lamberson
16/23 249 yards, 4 TDS

Gabriel Helms
2 Fumble Recoveries

Pat Whitt
10 Total tackles

After jumping out to a 42-14 half-time lead, the Bearcats were only able to score once in the second half, an early score in the third quarter.

"We need to work on finishing a whole game," Tjeerdsma said. "Usually we don't have a problem with that though."

NORTHWEST LEADER

RUSHING
Xavier Omon 446 yards
Josh Lamberson 288 yards
Mike Flech 220 yards
Zach Sherman 181 yards
Shon Wells 142 yards

RECEIVING
Jamaica Rector 372 yards
Morris White 264 yards
Andre Rector 154 yards
Aaron Froehlich 124 yards
Jared Meyerkorth 106 yards

SCORING
Luis Berlanga 51 points
Morris White 36 points
Jamaica Rector 30 points
Xavier Omon 30 points
Josh Lamberson 24 points

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12. Valdosta St. (Ga.)
13. Saginaw Valley St.
14. Northwood (Mich.)
15. St. Cloud State (Mn.)
16. Central Missouri St.
17. Tuskegee (Ala.)
18. East Stroudsburg (Pa.)
19. Winona St. (Minn.)
20. Central Arkansas
21. Arkansas Tech
22. Michigan Tech
23. Wingate (N.C.)
24. Colorado School of Mines
25. South Dakota

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MIAA offers invitation to Fort Hays State to join league

Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference. They have been there since 1989. Before that, they were a member of the Central States Intercollegiate Conference. A conference that used to include current MIAA teams Emporia State, Missouri Southern, Missouri Western, Pittsburg State and Washburn.

Fort Hays football team is 1-4 and loss to MIAA foe Pittsburg State 45-7 in the Tigers home opener. In their season opener, they lost to Emporia State 13-10 at Emporia.

Fort Hays University has 13 collegiate sports, seven men's and six women's sports. Fort Hays has been in existence since 1902 and has around 5,800 students.

They have four main colleges, including Arts and Sciences, Business and Leadership, Education and Health and Science Services. They also have a graduate school.

McFillen said that the team will still accept other applications.

"It is not out of the realm of possi-

bility that the MIAA could return to 12 members in the future," he said. "The CEOs have asked their athletic departments for feedback in this area, and if viable candidates are identified, the league will look at expansion."

The MIAA had 12 schools in 1995-96 before the University of Missouri-St. Louis left the conference to head to the Great Lakes Valley Conference, the same conference Rolla will head to.

The MIAA will only have nine teams for the 2005-06 school year.

All turned around

E.J. Falkner goes airborne after trying to make a move against Washburn on Saturday. Despite landing hard, the freshman receiver bounced back and received no injuries on the play.

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Cats get early test at home during Regional

KYLIE McDONOUGH
Missourian Reporter

The Northwest men's tennis team hosted the ITA Midwest Regional Championships on Saturday. Homeroes Pablo Acebedo, of Central Missouri State University, and Chris Smith, of Southwest Baptist University, played very well over the weekend.

"That was the best I have seen play," Coach Mark Rosewell said of his team. "Especially for a young group of guys."

Smith lost in the quarterfinals to No. 1 player in the country, Cipulli from Southwest Baptist University, with a score of 6-3,

even though he was the No. 1 in the country, I think I did pretty good," Smith said. Acebedo was nearly impossible to beat but I stayed with it."

Acebedo lost in the semifinals 6-2, 7-5 to Matt Rychlik from Central Missouri State University.

"I played really good this weekend," said Acebedo. "I played good last year, but I've learned so much over the past year."

In doubles, Acebedo and Smith made it to the quarterfinals together. It was here they lost to Jorge Ramos and William Jacome, of University of Nebraska-Kearney, 8-6.

"We should have won this match, because we have played them before and won," Smith said of their doubles performance. "I think we were more into our singles to really concentrate on our doubles."

The men's season has ended and will pick back up in March, but the Northwest women's ITA tournament will take place at Topeka, Kan., on Oct. 1, 2 and 3.

Hockey game still possible

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP)—The NHL quietly slipped out of Kansas City last week, after a two-year expansion team produced few victories and drew few fans.

The league has its own problems with players locked out because of a dispute over salaries, and won't play at all this season. Commissioner Gary Bettman has said the lockout could extend into the 2005-06 season if no agreement can be reached, and the NHL has no foreseeable expansion plans.

Of the two former Kansas City teams who make up NHL 21, the Kansas City sports fans would like to see top-level hockey this time around if they get the chance.

"It's not like they don't think so, no one that the doubters say."

Further we get into this, the more convinced they're wrong," McGannon said.

"Missouri's basketball games are sold out," McGannon said. "Kansas' basketball games are sold out. There's a whole market out there for people who didn't go to either school and are looking for wintertime entertainment."

In 1998, NHL 21 promoted an exhibition game between the St. Louis Blues and the Nashville Predators at Kemper Arena. It drew only about 9,000 fans to 17,285-seat Kemper Arena.

The exhibition had been set for Sunday, but now has been postponed indefinitely.

"Any time something like that happens, you have to deal with it," said Rieger, an independent sports promoter. "It wasn't unexpected, but it does cause a lot of work and consternation."

The group has sold 11,000 tickets for the Predators-Panthers exhibition and hopes to sell more if the season can be salvaged and the game rescheduled, McGannon said.



FILE PHOTO

Katie Flower tries to fend off an Augustana player during a game last week at home. The 'Cats fell to Southwest Baptist at home on Sunday, 2-1. Jamie Campbell scored for the 'Cats, it was her second goal of the season. The 'Cats now head to Omaha on Wednesday.

'Cats drop conference game to Washburn; now travel to face Mavericks of Omaha

By KRISTINE HOTOP
Missourian Reporter

The 'Cats' woes on the road continued on Wednesday as they fell to host Washburn 2-1.

The Lady Blues got on the scoreboard just five minutes into the game. Washburn's Jolene Silovsky scored off of a rebound.

Washburn found the net again at the 35:41 when Silovsky found Jenna Lawless. The score put the Lady Blues up 2-0 at halftime.

The Bearcats finally found the net

in the 89th minute of the game when freshman Tracy Sacco scored on a shot that ricocheted off the cross bar.

But it was too little, too late as the Lady Blues held on for the win.

It was another tiring game for the 'Cats after a disappointing loss to Southwest Baptist 2-1. This was Southwest's first conference game for the season and Northwest's fifth.

"Everyone went out and played really hard," said freshman Krista Obley. "That's all we could do."

Sophomore midfielder Jamie Campbell put the 'Cats on the

scoreboard in the 75th minute off of an assist by junior Katie Flower. Northwest's goal late in the game wasn't enough to step up to Southwest two prior goals.

"We had a lot of chances to score in the second half, but we just couldn't find any openings to the goal," said Obley.

The 'Cats' season record is 2-6-0, and they have one conference win under their name.

The 'Cats are now 2-7 and travel to play the University of Nebraska-Omaha Mavericks in Omaha at 4 p.m. Wednesday.

Dart places 54th, named conference Runner of the Week

By BILLY BURNS
Missourian Reporter

A freshman paced the Northwest Missouri State men's cross country team for the third time in a row at last weekend's Roy Griak Invitational.

Brandon Dart finished the race, held in St. Paul, Minn., in 54th place with a time of 26:56. Dart finished first for the Bearcats at the CMSU Mule Run and the Woody Greeno Invitational.

The MIAA named Dart its Runner of the Week for the week of Sept. 27th. He has placed 17th, 41st and 54th in leading the Bearcats in the last three races.

Coach Richard Alsop was pleased with the team's effort.

"Most of our kids set personal records for the season," Alsop said.

The University of Wisconsin-Lacrosse took the team title with a score of 87 points. Northwest's team score of 439 placed them 15th.

Matt Pohren, Bryan Touney, Stephen Pool, and Mark Aubrey rounded out the top five finishers for Northwest.

Josh Moen of Wartburg College (Iowa) won the meet with a time of 24:45. The race consisted of 40 teams and 358 runners.

The Bearcats will not race this weekend. They have two weeks to prepare for the Concordia Invitational in Seward, Neb., on Oct. 9th.

Alsop looks forward to two tough weeks of practice.

"We'll practice pretty hard this week, and pretty hard next week," Alsop said. "We'll have the weekend off."

Drew Wilson, who finished in the top five for the Bearcats in the first two races, did not run in Minnesota due to foot pain. Alsop expects Wilson to return soon.

"He's a pretty tough kid," Alsop said. "He wants to be out there I think."

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Lafayette Hounds off ounds

ANDY TIMKO
Chief Reporter

Maryville Spoofhound volleyball faced off against Lafayette Thursday night this season Tuesday and could not complete the game as they lost in three sets, 19-23, 25-18, 25-12. "I didn't play horribly bad," said Heather Stoecklein said. "I think we didn't get it done. It was the fourth time we played and beat them the first three times. It's hard to beat a good team."

The Hounds have had difficulties keeping momentum and winning games against opponents.

Communication has been a big problem for the 'Hounds. If the talker in the court, anything can happen, including a momentum shift.

Something that you think is so important, it's the little things that you need to do," Stoecklein said. "If you can communicate, you will win."

The Hounds, now 11-5-2, have lost their conference game and are looking for a win on their toes. "The difference is anybody's, the difference is anybody's. We just have to capture it," Stoecklein said. "Some small problems, but I believe that the 'Hounds' this season and are looking to the post season."

"We play good, we look like we play bad, we look like we play bad," Stoecklein said. "For the most part, we're playing really well. If we can play on those highs and lows, we can play our game, it will be good."

Herring lead the team with 10 kills and two blocks while Kim had 21 assists. Kim had 12 good serves including aces and Jaylene had 11 digs. "Tonight the 'Hounds' are coming back after a one to win in three sets, 18-25, 25-19."

The Hounds also posted good wins against the Dragons. Kim had 10 kills and two blocks while Welch had 18 assists and 10 digs and Kim had 21 assists while Kim had 12 good serves including aces.

The Hounds are back in action Tuesday night at 7 p.m. against conference opponent Maryville at Maryville.



PHOTO BY STEVE SERRANO/CHIEF PHOTOGRAPHER
Cliff Robertson knocks over a Smithville defender during the team's loss on the Tuesday at home. The Warriors blew past the 'Hounds' 11-2. Scoring for the Spoofhounds were Clay Ferguson and Nic Zweifel.

Warriors zip right past 'Hounds, 11-2

By SETH HERROLD
Missourian Reporter

The Maryville Spoofhounds lost yet again Tuesday, falling to the Smithville Warriors 11-2.

Right from the start Smithville controlled the tempo, keeping the ball on the 'Hounds' half of the field. Smithville found the net fairly early when Oddmar Lakjuni bounced in a goal off a Maryville defender. From then on it was all downhill for the 'Hounds in the first half.

Smithville put in three more goals in the next three minutes. The

'Hounds' Dylan Cloepfil had an opportunity to end the half with a goal, but the shot was trapped on the line by the Smithville goalkeeper.

Smithville scored twice more before the half to take a 6-0 lead.

"We've tried to work with the players on not getting tense," said head coach Stuart Collins. "We've tried to relax them."

The 'Hounds relaxed later in the second half. After giving up two more goals, they put together a fast break that ended with Nic Zweifel putting the ball in for a goal.

"The 'Hounds weren't done there."

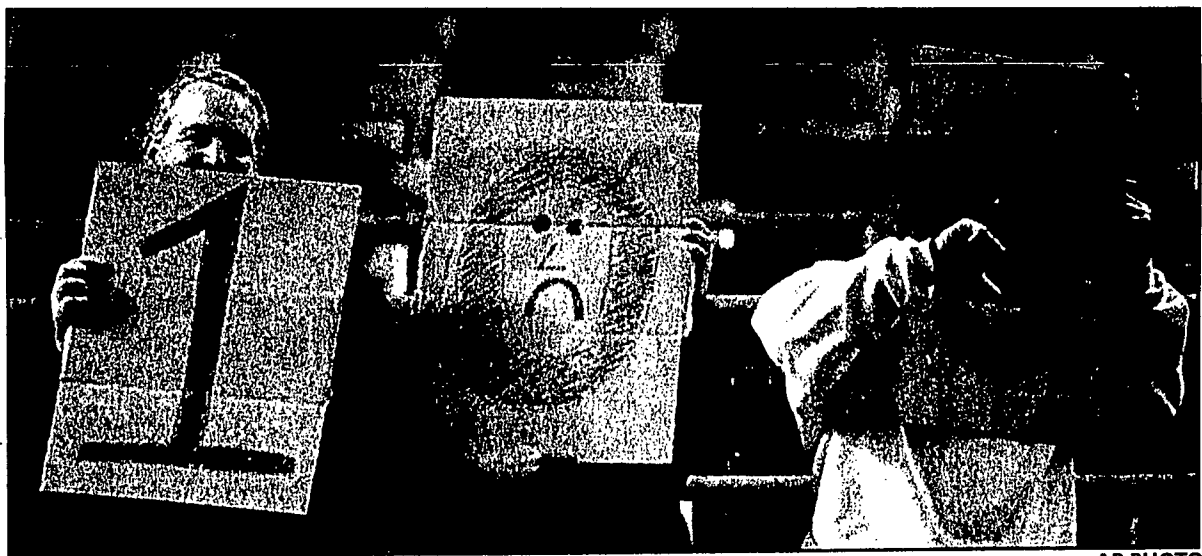
Moments later Clay Ferguson slashed in and nailed a second-straight goal for the 'Hounds. That cut the lead to six.

Smithville was not to be denied, however, and ended the game with an exclamation mark, scoring three more goals late in the game.

"I thought we actually played one of our better games," Collins said. "These guys (Smithville) are a very good team and we did a lot better job moving the ball around and communicating and covering for each other."

The 'Hounds will look to rebound from this loss as they host LeBlonde at 4:30 p.m. today.

Royals hit century mark



AP PHOTO
Kansas City Royals fans Mike Lair, left, Linda Boujemaa, center, and Daniel Cotton hold up signs marking the team's 100th loss after the Royals lost to the Cleveland Indians 5-1 Tuesday, Sept. 28, at Kauffman Stadium.

Groce, Harris expected to play against 49ers

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Aeneas Williams' return to cornerback was only a one-week proposition for the St. Louis Rams.

DeJuan Groce was back at practice Wednesday after missing last week's game with a sprained knee, enabling the eight-time Pro Bowl player to return to free safety. Coach Mike Martz expects the move to stabilize the entire defense, which has struggled in the early weeks of the season.

"It helps us a lot," Martz said. "There's no question it helps us a great deal."

Martz said it'll be beneficial for Williams, too. Although he made his reputation as a cornerback, making seven of those Pro Bowls as a cover guy, Williams has become comfortable at his new position after moving there last season.

"Aeneas has spent so much time getting himself ready at safety and was playing so well, and then to move out to corner is very disruptive," Martz said. "That's a hard thing to ask somebody to do but we were in a real bind and of course he was willing to do that."

Backup linebacker Trev Faulk (hamstring) also is expected to return for Sunday night's game at San Francisco, shoring up another needy position. Groce started the first two games at right cornerback in place of Travis Fisher, out with a broken arm sustained in training camp.

Offensive guard Chris Dishman (knee) likely is out this week, though. Dishman was injured in the first half of Sunday's 28-25 overtime loss to the Saints.

Scott Tercero, a sixth-round pick last year who missed the entire season due to injuries, will make his first career start at Dishman's spot against the 49ers after finishing Sunday's game for Dishman. He's excited about the chance even if it's an unfamiliar position.

"I think I did all right, especially for not having taken any snaps at guard since college," Tercero said. "Just getting out there last week was awesome."

Running back Arlen Harris (hamstring) and linebacker Tony Newson (sprained ankle) both were listed as questionable. Martz believes there's a better chance of Harris, who returns kicks, playing.

Another injured player, defensive tackle Jimmy Kennedy, was in Charlotte, N.C., on Wednesday having his broken right foot evaluated.

Martz said Kennedy has done a good job of keeping his weight down during his rehab. The Rams want him to play at under 330 pounds and he's close to that.

"I'm excited about the thought of getting him back and maybe the role we could use him in," Martz said. "We still may be a ways away."

Vorderbruegge, Sudhoff fare well again for Maryville

By AARON NELSON
Missourian Reporter

The Spoofhound runners of Maryville High School continue to plug away as the climax of their season approaches. The most recent test of their abilities came in the form of Tuesday's Lafayette Invite. Once again the Spoofhounds showed what they were made of despite some difficult circumstances.

"The course was really hilly but all our runners ran a great time and the times continue to get better," Head Coach Paul Snow said.

Freshman Dawson Vorderbruegge continues to shine brightly as the

only male representative of Maryville High School. He finished Tuesday's race with a time of 18:14 on the 3.1 mile course. That was good enough for eighth place overall.

On the women's side, senior Katie Sudhoff continues to stand out. She finished 21st with a time of 24:06.

Juniors Megan Hayden and Kathleen Wilmes finished 28th and 36th respectively. Senior Jennifer Nun finished slightly better than Wilmes at 32nd.

The Spoofhounds will continue their season when they host the Maryville Invitational at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday.

Missouri Football Polls

CLASS 3:

1. MICDS;4-0
2. Herculaneum;4-0
3. Harrisonville;3-1
4. Salem;4-0
5. Odessa;4-0
6. Cassville;4-0
7. Carl Junction;3-1
8. Chillicothe;3-1
9. Platte County; 3-1
10. Oak Grove;3-1

CLASS 2:

1. Caruthersville;4-0
2. Jeff City-Blair Oaks;4-0
3. Montgomery County;4-0
4. Trenton;4-0
5. Macon;4-0
6. Monroe City;4-0
7. California;3-1
8. Cameron;3-1
9. El Dorado Springs;4-0
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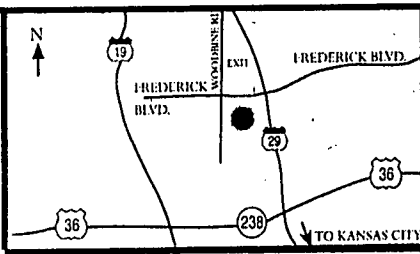


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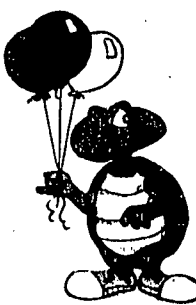
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'Hounds cruise past undefeated Pintos

By JEROME BOETTCHER
Missourian Reporter

A week of rest certainly paid off for the Spoofhound football team.

Coming off a game in which the Maryville offense sputtered against Chillicothe, they appeared a totally different team on the field against previously No. 3 California.

The Spoofhounds came right at visiting California and never looked back. Three straight scores led to a 29-0 halftime lead for the 'Hounds as they went on to beat the Pintos 41-22 in Excelsior Springs.

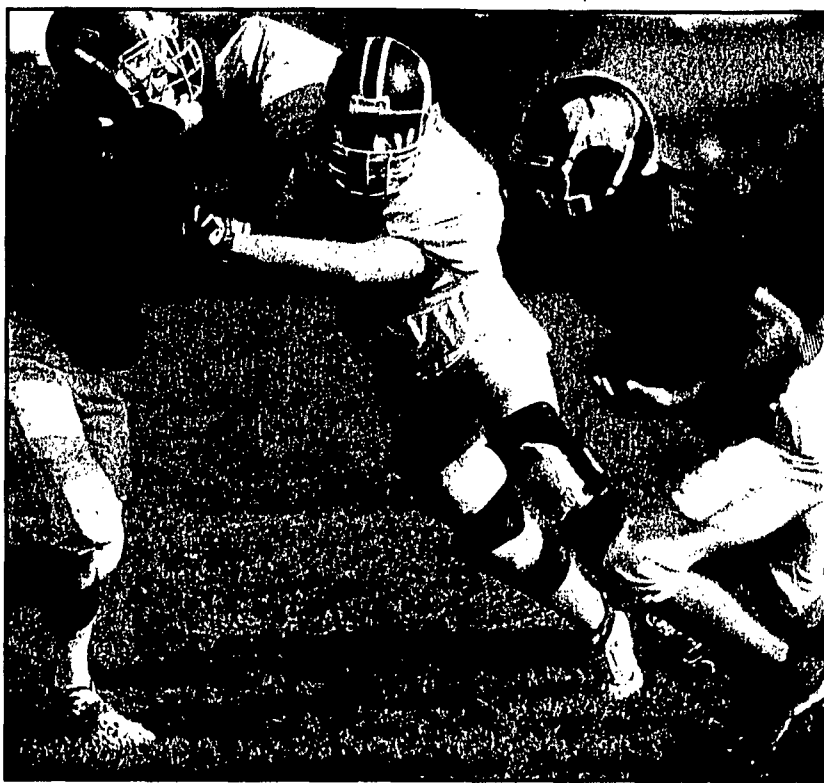
Led by 227 total yards of offense in the first half, the Spoofhounds silenced the Pintos. California was held to 46 total yards of offense in the first half.

"We picked it up a lot at practice this week, we weren't very happy with last (game's) result," senior running back and Skyler Vandiver. "We just picked it up a lot at practice and we came together in the first half."

The 'Hounds got on the scoreboard just six minutes into the game when Myles Burnside found the endzone on a four-yard touchdown run to cap a 10-play drive. Quarterback Josh Wilmes found wide receiver Syd Brisbane for a two-point conversion to put the 'Hounds up 8-0.

After a California three-and-out, Maryville added on six more points thanks to a five-yard run by Evan Wilmes. Josh Wilmes kept the ball on to get the two-point conversion. One drive later, Wilmes connected with Brisbane for 37 yards to end the first quarter. A few plays later, Burnside would run another touchdown in on a 4th and 1 at the 19 yard line. Brisbane would add an extra point to make it 23-0 with 9:31 left in the half.

"We were just taking advantage of the things they were giving us,"



FILE PHOTO
The 'Hounds defense shut down the Pintos in the first half allowing no points and just 46 total yards. The defense allowed sixteen straight points in the second half but thanks to two scores late in the fourth quarter, the 'Hounds won 41-22.

head coach Paul Miller said. "Their corners were playing nine yards off the ball. With our quarterback and his arm strength and the speed we have at receiver it's really ridiculous for us not to take advantage of the corner sitting at nine yards. So we really thought we had to do that."

Maryville looked as if they might score once more before the break, but a Garin Blair fumble in 'Hounds territory seemed to be bad news.

However, on the very next play Colby Chesnut intercepted a pass from California's Jason Young and returned 76 yards to the one-yard line. Maryville quarterback Josh Wilmes ran the ball right up the middle for a touchdown on the next play.

The Spoofhounds eased up a bit

in the second half as the defense allowed 16 unanswered points, while the offense punted on their first four possessions.

But after the Pintos cut the lead to 29-16 with 6:15 in the game, the 'Hounds responded less than a minute later with a 34-yard touchdown pass from Wilmes to Brisbane. Brisbane walked the sideline like a tightrope after catching a short pass from Wilmes. The Pintos would score a minute later but the Spoofhounds added another touchdown thanks to a 12-yard run by Chesnut with only a minute left to play.

"We came out in the second half kind of flat and we kind of felt we had it won already," Josh Wilmes

said. "He told us to get in gear and to start to move the ball down the field. Again Syd made some good plays and other receivers did too and our line stepped up."

After a poor performance against Chillicothe, Maryville's special teams improved significantly. Though there were two missed extra points and California received pretty good field position off kickoffs, Miller was pleased with the special teams, especially punter Jake Mattson.

"His first punt was sketchy at best," Miller said. "But he came back after that and I thought he showed a lot of composure. He had two or three nice punts and he did a nice job."

Wilmes finished with around 200 yards and threw one touchdown, while running for one. He hooked up with wide receiver Syd Brisbane nine times, seven of them coming in the first half for 104 yards.

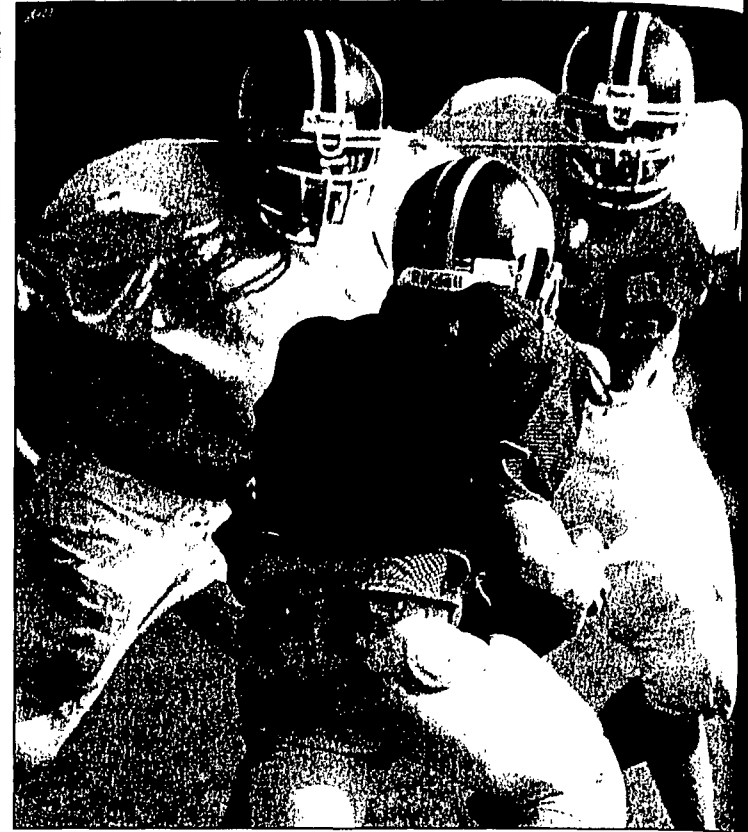
"(Syd) makes a lot of my bad throws look good by catching them," Wilmes said.

Brisbane is extremely confident in Wilmes and says that he hopes they can connect for a big strike in the future.

"Him and I just have confidence in each other," Brisbane said. "If he under throws or overthrows, it's alright if I miss the catch, we'll pick it up later. I'm hoping to score or do something big with it."

For the most part, Miller was pretty pleased with how the team performed, though he was concerned about how they performed in the second half.

"Our problem is that we just haven't learned to play 48 minutes yet," Miller said. "We played a great first half and then in the third quarter we came in and expected them just to lay down and that's not going to happen when you face good programs like this."



FILE PHOTO
The 'Hounds look to continue their dominance on the road as they take on No. 3 Hill Friday Night. Maryville is averaging 34 points per game on the road.

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Harrisonville posts challenge

Miller was pleased with how the offensive line held up especially with key players stepping in, including Aaron Auten. Auten played for injured Keith Starr at guard. Starr injured his ankle in practice a couple days before facing California.

"Auten was a last-second addition," Miller said. "He's been a center. He really hasn't played much guard. We weren't sure how he would respond. But he responded very well."

However, Miller knows that Harrisonville will play tough against the offensive line.

"They're going to be tested Friday night," Miller said. "Harrisonville's going to put eight

guys in the box and they're going to try to put them all on the scrimmage and try to pressure them. They're going to try to cause blocking confusion and we're working on that this week. Our offensive line is up to the task."

One of the main concerns the team is that they played 48 minutes. The team came a little flat in the second against California. Some that they hope doesn't happen again.

"We're going to make sure we don't die down like we did in the second half," cornerback Vandiver said.

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Friends rally behind Chiefs' coach

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP)—Since the afternoon when his Kansas City Chiefs fell to 0-3, friends of Dick Vermeil have been calling, e-mailing and spreading word through mutual

one seems to have basically the message: Hang tough, we believe in you.

Vermeil has heard from Hollywood types, a geologist and a former NFL star, as well as a host of other people who played for him during a career that began in 1959.

Vermeil calls from all over the country different guys who know me. I've been through this kind of thing with me," Vermeil said Tuesday. "I need it."

Dryer, the former NFL star who played the lead role in the television series "Hunter," told him, "I'm sticking in there. I know you can do anything going."

Vermeil's wife, Les Barkley, who became a coach with Vermeil when he was coaching for the NBA's Philadelphia 76ers, called to offer his support.

Vermeil's son, Claude Humphrey, who played defensive end on Vermeil's teams of 1979-81 and left a message on his answering machine. "I don't change," the message said. "Don't let them get you. Stick with your way. It's always



Chiefs coach Dick Vermeil has received numerous phone calls of support after the Chiefs started their season 0-3.

worked before and it will work now."

Perhaps no sentiment meant more to the old coach than the e-mail he got from Bobby Christopherson, the captain of the Hillsdale High School team in San Mateo, Calif., in 1960. That was Vermeil's first head-coaching job.

"He writes the leading textbooks in geology right now in the country," Vermeil said. "I've got his textbooks. They're way beyond me."

It's reassuring, Vermeil said, "to know that people who have gone

through the adversity with you in the past still believe the way you did it was the right way to do it."

The Chiefs' road does not appear to get any smoother, with their next four opponents sporting a combined 10-2 record. Monday night finds the Chiefs at Baltimore.

"I've lost eight in a row before. I've gone from 0-8 in division play to 8-0 and world championship in a one-year turnaround," said Vermeil, who coached his 200th NFL game on Sunday. "I've seen both sides."

After so many years, he said, "There is nothing you haven't been exposed to. And if you don't handle them right, you don't get to coach 200 times."

Compounding the disappointment of an 0-3 start for a team many picked as a Super Bowl favorite have been some game-management miscues on Vermeil's part. Joking that "early dementia" may be setting in, he admitted he'd made a few strategic mistakes in the past two games.

The mistakes and the losses have brought heavy criticism from fans and media.

"If you don't develop some toughness and some resolve within yourself, then you're in the wrong business," he said. "But to me it starts with my commitment to my players."



Darren Sproles will likely provide a challenge for Texas A&M this weekend. Sproles is still looked at as a Heisman trophy favorite.

Aggies prepare for Sproles invasion

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP)—Texas A&M's resurgent defense isn't too worried about Darren Sproles gaining 100 yards on Saturday. The Aggies just hope Kansas State's senior running back doesn't embarrass them and do it in one quarter.

Sproles has gained 100 yards in a quarter seven times in his career, and the Aggies' defense doesn't need any more setbacks after losing its famed Wrecking Crew nickname last year because of ineffective play.

"For a guy his size, he brings the whole package," A&M defensive coordinator Carl Torbush said. "He's as close to Barry Sanders as you can get. He's done it game in and game out for a number of years without being injured."

"Hopefully, we can keep him behind the line of scrimmage. If he gets out to daylight, we've got problems."

The A&M defense soured last season in the first year of coach Dennis Franchione's tenure and it started off the

same way this season by allowing 582 yards in a season-opening loss to Utah. More recently, the Aggies have looked more like the old Wrecking Crew.

The Aggie defenders don't want Sproles spoiling their recent success in Saturday's Big 12 opener at Kyle Field. The Aggies held Wyoming to 181 total yards and allowed Clemson only 250 yards after losing to Utah.

"We're not going to shut this team down, Darren Sproles is just too good," Franchione said. "We just hope they don't have a record-setting day against us. We hope to contain him somewhat and then you have to defend the other aspects of their game."

Sproles had a school record 292 yards against Louisiana-Lafayette, breaking his own single game total. He's reached 100 yards 21 times in his career, three behind the Big 12 record of 24 by Texas' Ricky Williams.

Sproles hasn't had his big quarters just against weaker teams. He ripped

off a personal best 130 fourth-quarter yards against Oklahoma last season. He's also gained 100 yards in quarters against Baylor, Iowa State, Missouri, Nebraska, Western Kentucky and Louisiana-Lafayette.

"He's one of the premier backs in the country for the past two seasons," safety Jaxon Appel said. "He's going to be playing on Sunday in a couple of years. I'd rather tackle a guy 6-4, 240, than Sproles (5-7, 180). He's so fast and not very tall. He can go around you or he can go through you."

Keeping Sproles to short gains will be the defensive goal.

"It's going to be a challenge," safety Erik Mayes said. "It's going to be more of a linebacker thing. I'd rather see somebody like (linebacker) Justin Warren come up and make 10 tackles than me getting 10 tackles against this offense."

Still, Franchione saw enough of Sproles in Kansas State's Big 12 championship game against Oklahoma last season to give him nightmares.

Missouri player faces drug charges

COLUMBIA, Mo. (AP)—Missing linebacker David Richards was suspended Monday from the game against Colorado on Saturday after an arrest for alleged marijuana possession.

Richards, 21, was arrested about Sept. 11, Columbia police said. Marvin McCrary confirmed Richards was suspended. Police heard loud music from a 1999 Dodge Intrepid on Saturday.

Richards was found in the vehicle, along with a marijuana cigarette and a bag of suspected marijuana, according to the police report.

Both men were arrested for misdemeanor marijuana possession.

A Missouri State Highway Patrol lab was testing the contents of the cigarette and bag to confirm if it was marijuana, and no charges have been filed.

At a Monday afternoon press conference, Missouri coach Gary Pinkel said Richards would not play Saturday when the Tigers (2-1) open Big 12 play at home against Colorado (3-0), saying that Richards "has been suspended from this game for disciplinary reasons." He made no additional comment.

Richards, a 6-foot-2, 235-pound sophomore in his first season at Missouri, started all three games and had

six tackles. During Missouri's Sept. 18, game against Ball State the first game after his arrest Richards started but did not see much action for the rest of the game.

At suburban St. Louis' Hazelwood East High School in 2001, Richards was an All-American at linebacker and tailback. That season, he was named high school defensive player of the year by the St. Louis Post-Dispatch and the St. Louis American.

Both players sat out last season because of NCAA transfer rules and had three years of eligibility remaining.

Pinkel moved Richards to linebacker during the offseason.

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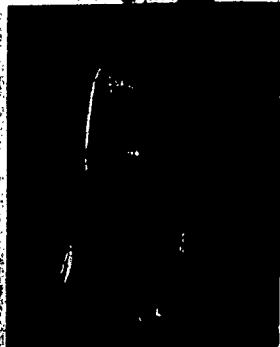
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Unfortunately, this year's parade may not be as good as it has been in the past. A lack of football games at home in late October and early November has forced this year's homecoming to be pushed up much earlier than normal. This has caused a real panic among those who are still participating.

People are rushing to make final adjustments to their skits, floats and clowns. The bands are making final preparations for their performances and the dancers are going over their routines one final time. The end is near and people are starting to worry. Was there



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enough time to pull this off? Judging from the decreased numbers of participants, one could argue no. You will see fewer floats, less clowns and no mini floats. Because of the lack of time, the homecoming committee decided to get rid of mini floats in the hope that bigger floats could get created with the leftover time.

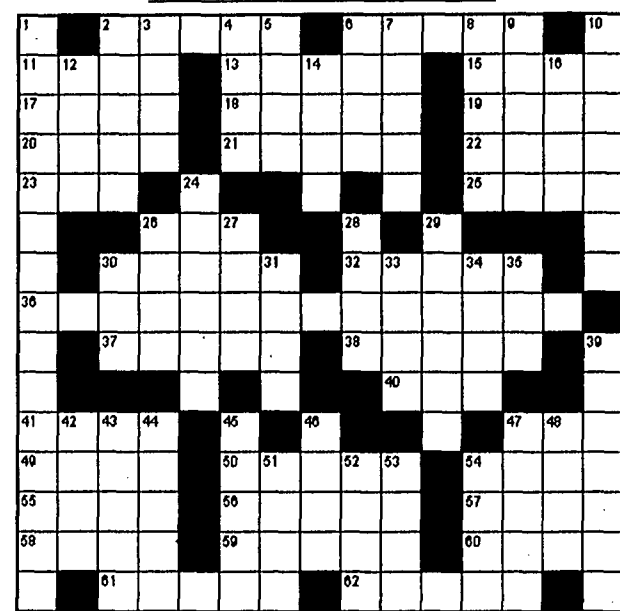
Because of the whole time dilemma, don't be surprised if some of your friends

end up spending Walkout Day at float barn or band practice instead of hanging out at the local watering hole. Sure, spending a day on the bar stool imitating Norm from "Cheers" is fun, but it's not exactly great for your figure. I learned that in Beerbelly 101, an elective class here at Northwest.

All in all, homecoming must go on. It should be a great time. Be sure to hit up Kegs and Eggs at the Outback, and don't forget to check out the parade. Beer in hand and old friends by my side is how Your Man plans to spend his Saturday. And why not? We have a lot to celebrate. Our football team is ridiculously good, classes are going by fast and the weather has been perfect. Life in The 'Ville is great! So come on out, bring lots of friends and cheer on Northwest as another homecoming rolls by.

The Stroller has been a tradition since 1918 and does not reflect the views of The Northwest Missourian.

WEEKLY CROSSWORD



Across

- 2. Sudden pains
- 6. Sturdy twilled trousers
- 11. American
- 13. Participant
- 15. Not closed
- 17. Small notch
- 18. Strength
- 19. Edges
- 20. Kinds of person
- 21. Stagnant
- 22. Journey
- 23. Long-leaved lettuce
- 25. In this place
- 26. Alimentary canal
- 30. 1st letter of

the Greek alphabet

- 32. Violates
- 36. Full-circle artillery sight
- 37. Strong thread
- 38. Atomize
- 40. Sorrowful
- 41. Pouches
- 47. Twain
- 49. Shut with force
- 50. Horses
- 54. An Afrikaner
- 55. State in the central United States
- 56. Musical toy
- 57. Old

58. Change direction

- 59. Inactive
- 60. Harden by heat
- 61. German currency
- 62. Donkeys

Down

- 1. Subject to alternating mania and depression
- 2. Dry measures
- 3. Sacred chests
- 4. Openings
- 5. Native of Scotland
- 6. Book of the Bible

- 7. Made a mistake
- 8. Compass point
- 9. Steeple
- 10. Examine
- 12. Male name
- 14. It was
- 16. Islamic chieftain
- 24. Of copper
- 26. Incandescence
- 27. Conjunction
- 28. Curves
- 29. Helix
- 30. Insect
- 31. A stock exchange
- 33. Serpents
- 34. Mild oath
- 35. Bashful
- 39. Give a repeated order
- 42. Drug-yielding plant
- 43. Cried (avian)
- 44. Unction
- 45. Yogi
- 46. Stupefy
- 47. Roman garments
- 48. Seven days
- 51. Social standing
- 52. Adriatic wind
- 53. Drunkards
- 54. Small child

See answers below

on the edge

Facts about voting:

After the Civil War, Iowa was the first state to give the vote to African Americans.

There are nations that have never been to vote before. The United States was the first to give women the vote in 1920. The first woman to vote was Susan B. Anthony in 1872.

In 1918, the 19th Amendment allowed women over the age of 21 to vote. Russia was the first country to give women the vote in 1917. It took the United States 1920 to give women the vote.

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Section C

Northwest heads for warmer climates this Homecoming week

By SARAH SWEDBERG
University News Editor

This weekend Bobby Goes South to places like Mexico, Australia and the South Pole.

"I see Bobby having a lot of fun and going to a lot of different places and having parties," freshman Nicole Talbott said.

This year's homecoming theme provides everyone with a variety of options as to where they want Bobby to travel, said Homecoming chairs Ben York and Sara Young.

"You do get different kinds of (concepts) coming out in floats, clowns and the Variety Show," York said.

He adds this year's theme ranked number one among others such as Bobby Goes Hollywood. Bobby Goes South is derived from two Greek organizations.

Homecoming committee members representing various campus organizations, particularly Greek, chose the theme last spring. They initially thought different homecoming concepts dealing with Bobby going South to places like Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana would be used, but most organizations have Bobby further South.

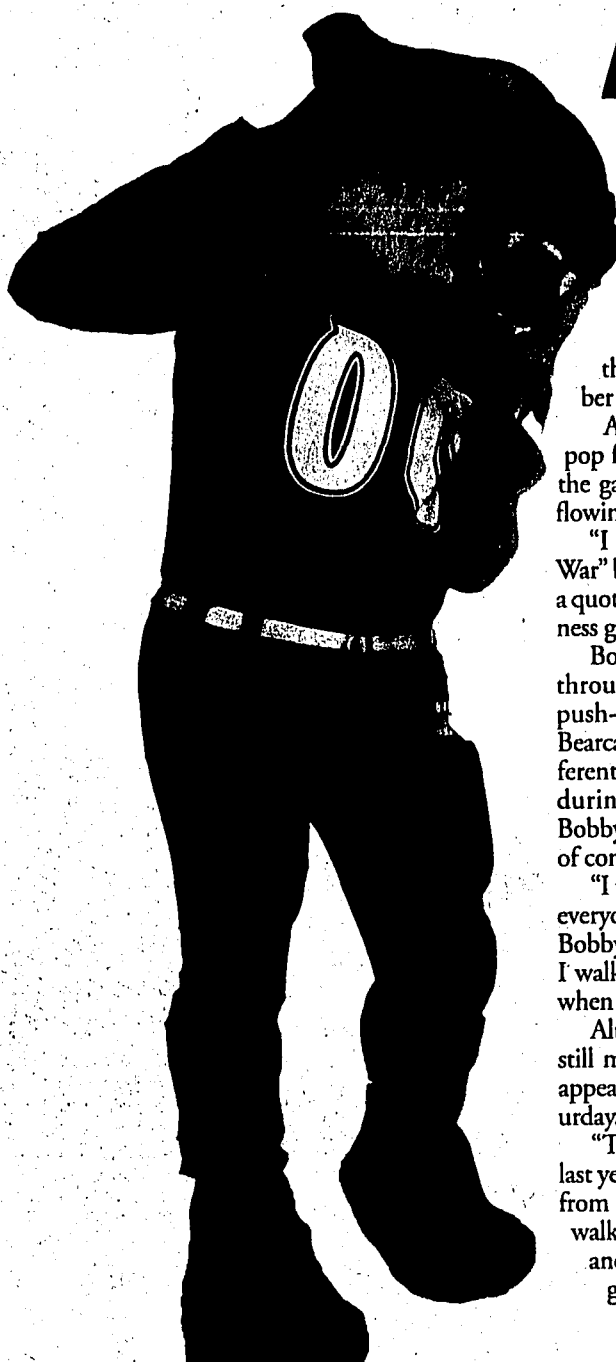
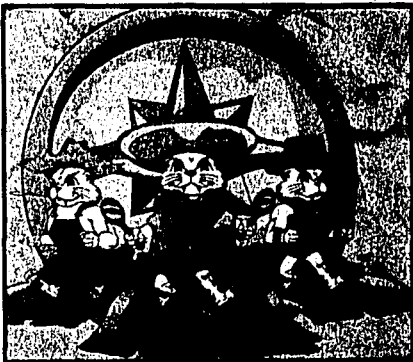
"He's venturing to a more tropical part of the world," transfer sophomore Adam Vlasin said. "Like Cancun, it's just beautiful there."

The Northwest campus will suit up for southern themes to run throughout Variety Show performances, banner, float, clowns and activities including decorating residence halls.

Franken Hall will have a Mexican feel to it this weekend since its residents, including Talbott, dressed it up for homecoming. They even used their Mexican concept for their banner.

Talbott said she enjoyed her homecoming involvement as she also worked on the Residence Hall Association's float.

Students may also celebrate this year's homecoming carrying the theme into off-campus activities. "To celebrate going South, I might buy some Corona," Vlasin said.



A day in the life of Bobby

By STEPHANIE SUCKOW
Managing Editor

After two Hy-Vee glazed donuts and a can of Sunkist, he's ready to suit up and take the field for another Bearcat football game.

He's not just any ordinary player though; he's the beloved mascot, number 00, Bobby Bearcat.

Along with the tradition of donuts and pop for breakfast, Bobby also prepares for the game by getting his intellectual juices flowing.

"I read a couple of chapters of 'Art of War' before the game," Bobby said. "There's a quote in there that I especially like, 'Weakness gives birth to strength.'"

Bobby traditionally shows his strength throughout the football game by doing push-ups for every point scored by the Bearcats. But this season has been a little different. After having to do 349 push-ups during the second game of the season Bobby's shoulder gave out, taking him out of commission for the time being.

"I walk around with an arm brace on so everyone knows that I'm really hurt," said Bobby. "I don't think people mind though, I walk around giving the fans free T-shirts when we score now."

Although he's not quite up to par, he's still more than ready for his homecoming appearances beginning with the parade Saturday.

"The Homecoming Parade was a blast last year," Bobby said. "I started out waving from a fire truck for the first half and then walked the rest of it back. It took an hour and a half because I kept stopping and getting pictures with little kids and stuff."

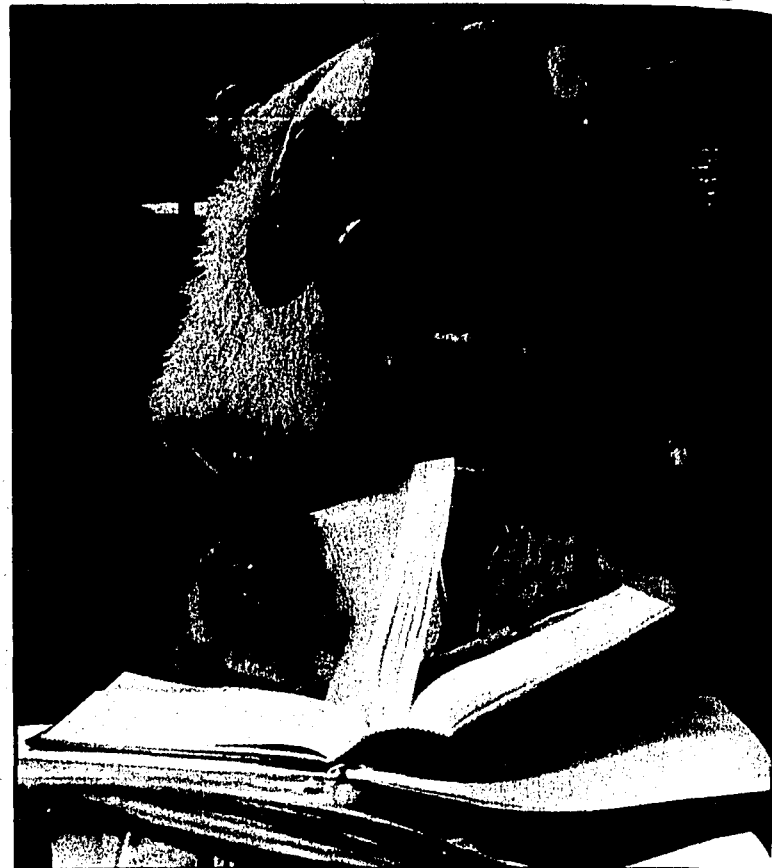


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Bobby Bearcat finishes off the last of a stress-filled week preceding Homecoming. He plans to unwind throughout the week.

Of course Bobby is confident that the Bearcats will come away with a Homecoming win. But one thing that will solidify this prediction for him is if he wakes up and feels like he's going to puke. Bobby said in the past if he feels sick the morning before the game, the Bearcats have always come away with a win.

Through the wins and the losses

Bobby has impressed fans with his ability to keep them motivated for the team. The fans aren't the only people impressed. This summer, Bobby was named the All-American mascot, a feat never accomplished at Northwest.

"The fans make all the difference, especially the students," said Bobby. "I hope for the Bearcats to come away with a win on Homecoming."

University drive becomes the new site for parade route; will provide more parking

By SARAH SWEDBERG
University News Editor

Bearcat fans viewing Saturday's parade should take their lawn chairs and blankets to University Drive.

Rather than the usual path down College Avenue, the parade will begin at 9:15 a.m. Saturday in front of Roberta Hall and proceed south down University Drive, east on Fourth Street to Market Street, and north on Market to Sixth Street.

The area between Roberta Hall and Fourth Street will be designated for family

friendly viewing.

The new route provides a better atmosphere for families, according to Bryan VanOsedale, director of Campus Activities. He adds parade watchers will not have to worry about being off-campus where there may be students with alcohol.

VanOsedale said the new route will also provide the necessary parking space for all parade entries.

"We have ample parking space for all bands and for putting all different entries together," he said.

VanOsedale, along with Campus Safety,

Northwest Band Director Carl Kling and former Northwest Band Director Al Serpel mapped out the new route. With the approval of the President's Cabinet, they gave it to the City of Maryville for approval.

Along with the alterations in the parade route, Campus Safety made changes to campus parking and what roads will be closed.

Cars cannot be parked in Lots 4-10, 18-20, 23 and 25-27 Saturday morning, they must be cleared by 6 a.m., in order to provide space for various parade entries such as floats.

All vehicles left in those parking lots could receive a \$40 ticket and be towed.

The roadways of Fourth Street, University Drive, Seventh Street and Ninth Street will also close at 6 a.m. on Saturday.

Campus Safety Director Clarence Green said people to plan ahead.

"Pre-plan, and know those streets will be blocked off and be aware of detours," he said. "Walking will be the best."

Both Green and VanOsedale say the changes will work better for this year's parade in providing an effective route from College Drive, where Fire Administration has limited parking space.

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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

Variety Show, Performing Arts Center, 7 p.m.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1

Walkout Day- no classes
Golden Years Society Reunion, Alumni House, 9 a.m.
Homecoming Golf Classic, Mozingo Golf Course, 11 a.m.
Registration, noon, tee
M-Club Athletics Banquet, Union Ballroom, 6 p.m.
Variety Show, Performing Arts Center, 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2

Alumni Welcome, 8 a.m., Alumni House
Bearcat Zone, College Park, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
Homecoming Parade, 9:15 a.m.
Homecoming Barbecue following the parade
Booth College Alumni Reception, Maryville Country Club, following parade until 1 p.m.
Football vs. Emporia State, Bearcat Stadium, 1 p.m.

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King Candidates



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Scenes from the 2004 Variety Show

Photos by Emily Jackson



Student emcees open the Homecoming Variety show with a bang. Members of Improv a la Mode served as student emcees for this year's event. Remaining performances of the show take place at 7 p.m. tonight and 7:30 p.m. Friday.



Student emcees Trevor Hayes and Evan Ross open the Variety Show with an original comedy act. The members of Improv a la Mode, who led this year's show with comedy routines.

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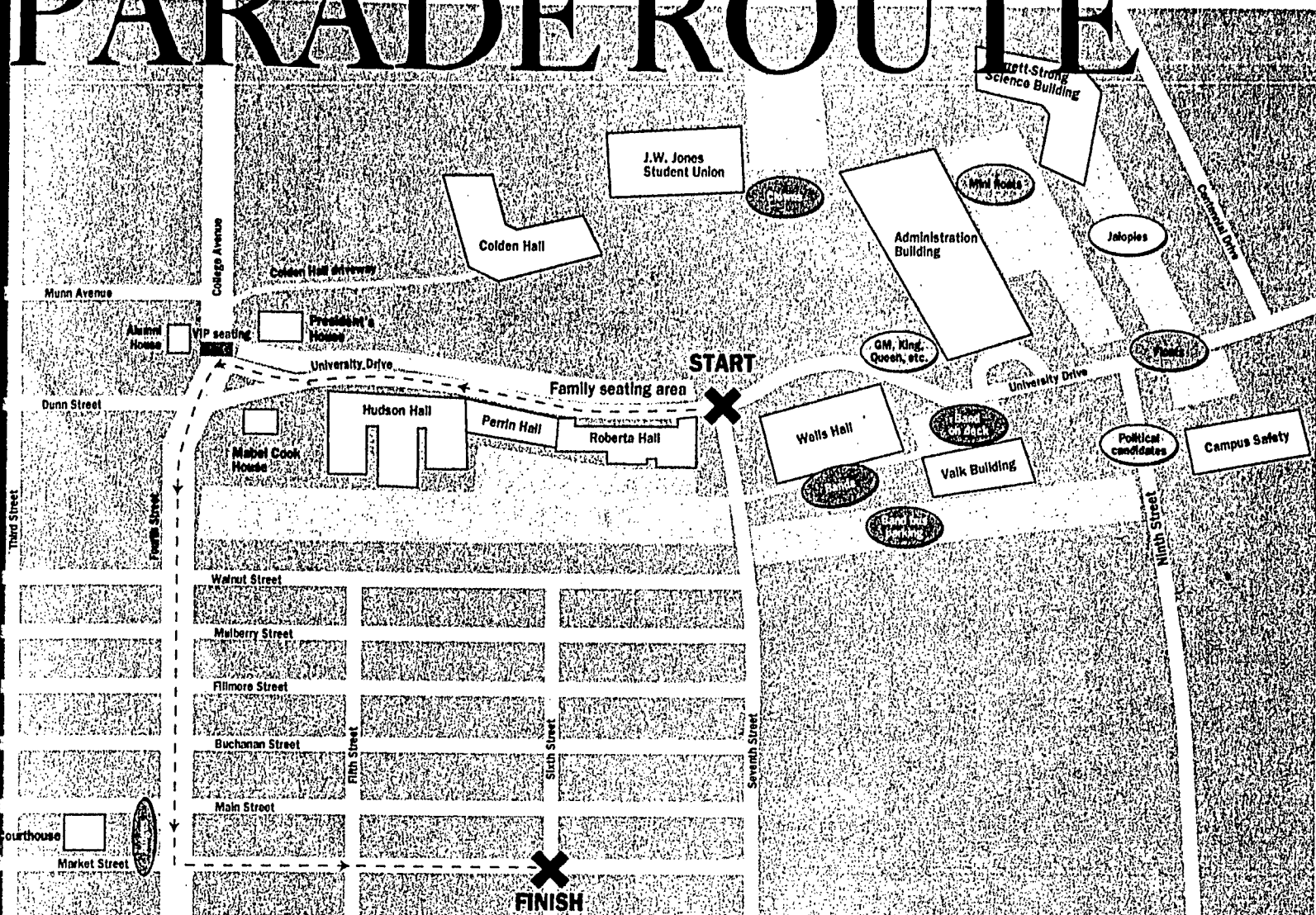
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Husband, wife team up for Grand Marshal duties

Alumni couple await their opportunity to head the parade Saturday

By DENNIS SHARKEY
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

In the summer of 1958 ZoAnn Severson was a student at Florida Southern University. That fall, she became a Bearcat.

ZoAnn would meet her husband to be, Robert Severson at the Maryville swimming pool that summer. Forty-five Homecomings later the couple will lead this year's parade as the Grand Marshals.

"We are very honored," Bob said. "We feel like there are a lot of people who deserve it more, but we're happy we were selected."

ZoAnn said the couple received a call from Brenda Untiedt, an administrative assistant with Alumni Relations asking if they would accept an offer to be the Grand Marshals for the parade. They thought it over and de-

cided it would be a great honor.

Born and raised in Maryville, ZoAnn attended high school in Clearwater, Fla. because of her father's ailing health. The family would return to Maryville every summer to check on his shoe business. But, 1958 would mark her last visit before she became a permanent resident.

While Bob was at Northwest, he was a Sigma Tau Gamma member and Senior Class President in 1959.

ZoAnn graduated a year later. As an undergraduate, she was a cheerleader and a member of the Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority.

After graduation Bob went to work for ZoAnn's father at Maryville Shoe Company, who founded the company in 1929.

By 1961 the couple began to buy out the shoe business that ZoAnn's father ran for 32 years.

The Seversons continued to run the shoe company until 1986 when they sold it to the Nevada Shoe Company out of Nevada, Mo.

Bob continued working by expanding a side business he had started before selling the shoe company. His side business included buying a few properties, which became S & S Properties.

"We build homes and apartments, and they're all here in Maryville," Severson said.

In addition the Seversons raised daughters Shawna and Stacy, who also graduated from Northwest.

In addition to being Grand Marshals, the Seversons plan to do what they do every year.

"We'll take in the game and go to the parade, and then we'll go to the M-club banquet on Friday night for dinner," Bob said.

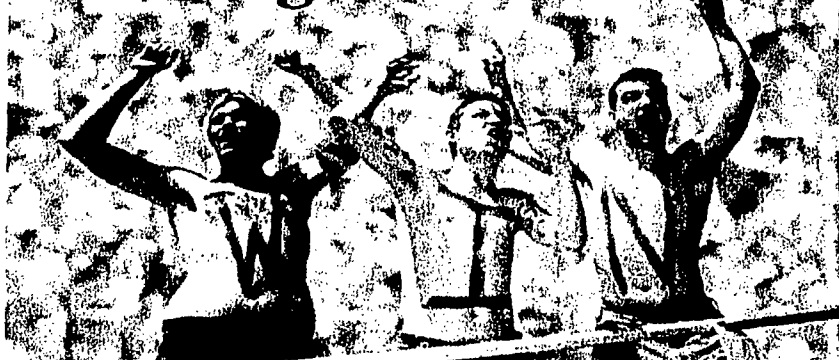
"We are very honored. We feel like there are a lot of people who deserve it more, but we're happy we were selected."

BOB SEVERSON
GRAND MARSHAL



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Homecoming parade Grand Marshals Bob and ZoAnn Severson of Maryville express their continuing pride and support for Northwest heading up Saturday's parade. The couple's daughters, Shawna and Stacy, are also Northwest graduates.

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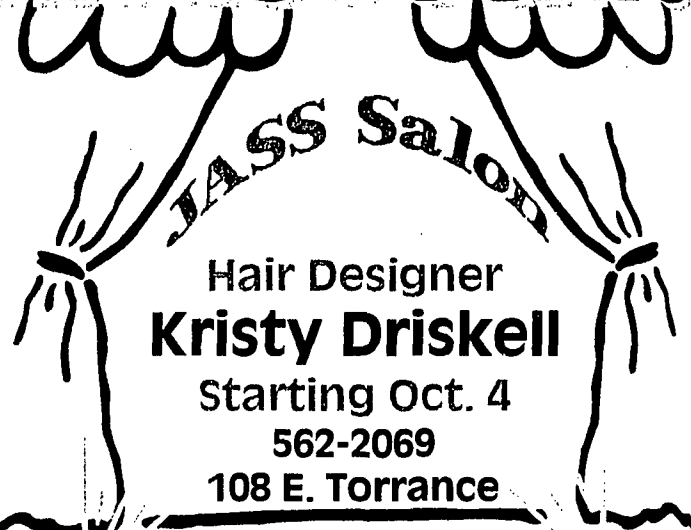
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performs his rendition of "Fat Guys Need Love 3" during Variety Show rehearsal Tuesday. Meyer's solo since grown into a fan favorite during the Homecoming event.



Members of Phi Sigma Kappa, Todd Altizer and Alpha Sigma Alpha, Rachael Chase, perform their skit "Welcome to the Jungle" during Variety Show rehearsals. This year's variety show will feature six skits and seven musical performances.



Members of Phi Mu and TKE see and hear no evil during rehearsal of their skit "What About Bobby?" Acts by other groups include "The Northwest Side Story" by Alpha Kappa Lambda and Sigma Sigma Sigma; "Northwest Live" by Sigma Kappa and Phi Delta Theta and "Bobby Goes Down Under" by fan favorites Phi Mu Alpha.

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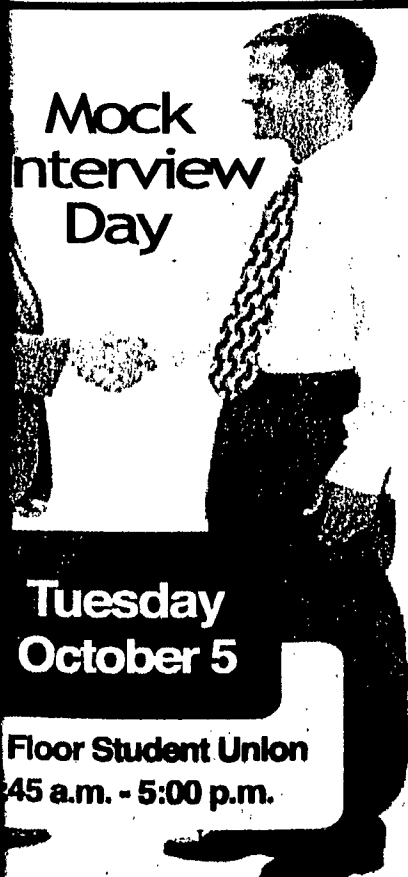
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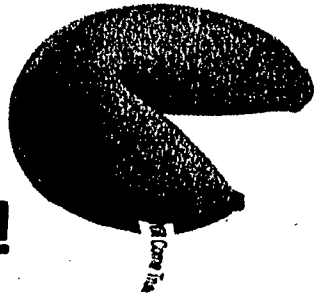


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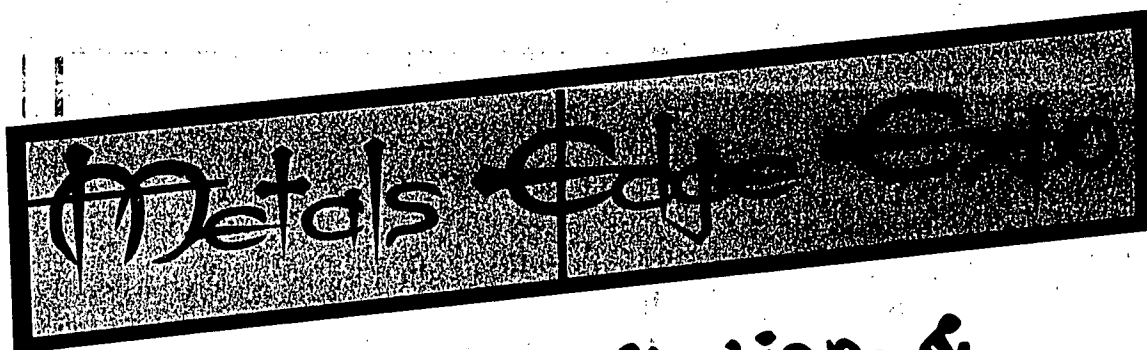
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Band prepares for parade marching, game

New director brings fresh ideas to BMB, keeps traditions

By DENNIS SHARKEY
Missourian Reporter

Regardless of whether this year's Homecoming parade band may be marching to a different beat, they will definitely be marching with a different director.

Carl Kling is the new director of bands this year, replacing Al Sergel who held the post for 23 years and decided to retire. Kling sees it as the perfect opportunity.

"This is precisely the type of collegiate job that I have always been looking for," Kling said. "It's just the right size school to be at and I enjoy the community of Maryville. There's interaction with the athletic bands, interaction with the majors and minors, and people who enjoy performing music."

The most visible part of the band is the Bearcat Marching Band, and they will be starting tomorrow's parade.

Along with the BMB there will be 22 high school bands from around the area.

"The Homecoming parade is not only for the community and Northwest, but a chance for area bands to come and compete for their own classifications and awards," Kling said.

In addition to performing at the parade and all Northwest football games, Kling says he would also like to do some exhibition performances at area high schools to keep sharp and as a recruiting tool.

"We love our audience here at home," Kling says. "But it's great to take what we do somewhere else and give people a chance to see what the BMB is all about and get them excited about our product."

In addition to the BMB in the fall is the Northwest Wind Symphony, a

concert band. The group is by audition and is geared toward senior majors and very talented non-majors. The group will perform twice this semester.

Another part of the band is the Pep Band that performs at Bearcat basketball games. The pep band is a smaller version of the BMB made up of about 30 members. Graduate student Carrie Shuck leads the group and she feels good about this year's band.

"I like it because you get to feel a little bit more part of the game, and your more involved than the normal fan," Shuck said.

Kling also says that the Pep Band is also a way to try new things, and they already have about 15 or 20 good ideas. Kling says that two im-

portant things come out practicing with the Pep Band to help him evaluate whether or not changes will be made for next year's BMB. One is how well the group responds to the pieces and how well the fans respond to the songs. Kling also asked the players for ideas so he can keep up with the times.

"I ask for input because I'm old and ancient," says Kling with a laugh. "I want to be sure that I'm in touch."

In the spring the band members keep busy with the Symphonic Band. The group is Open Enrollment and it gives Majors a chance to perform a different instrument and improve their skills. Kling says that other members of the community also sometimes come and play with the group including, the Maryville High School band director and his own wife.

In addition to starting the parade, Kling says that the band will be at the Pitt State game at Arrowhead Stadium and Midnight Madness, although he doesn't have any details to exactly what the band will be doing.



PHOTO BY ALEXIS HEJNA/MISSOURIAN PHOTO
Making himself visible, Director of Bands Carl Kling stands high above the Bearcat as he directs their number. New to the position, Kling brings renewed enthusiasm to the

Homecoming to boost vendors' alcohol sales

By ASHLEY BALLY
Missourian Reporter



Local alcohol retailers prepare for homecoming weekend.

Local alcohol retailers prepare for yet another Homecoming celebration with current students and alumni.

"We always order up extra for the weekend," said Wal-Mart Store Manager Lonnie Scheffe. "We are increasing everything across the board from hard liquor to standard beer."

Scheffe expects a five percent increase in liquor sales at Wal-Mart for the Homecoming weekend.

"This is typically one of the four or five weekends we do really well," said Paul Yates, owner of The Pub. "We account for 150 of alumni and current students."

The Pub, Yates will be increasing alcohol orders by an amount based on previous years, and will be increasing staff to handle the increased crowd.

Friday turns into Friday due to Homecoming Day, Friday we will open at 10 a.m. and then on Saturday we open at 11 a.m. Yates said.

Many retailers order alcohol in accord with the weather conditions predicted for the weekend. With warmer weather more people will be outside drinking in the heat, and on cooler days more people will be inside drinking. This information helps local businesses determine how much and of what they need to bring in.

"We increase alcohol amounts based on not only the weekend but according to the weather," said Hy-Vee Store Director Greg Chapman. "With more warmer weather we increase."

At Hy-Vee there are two deliveries per week, and they will be increasing their alcohol stock for Homecoming weekend, as opposed to the average weekend.

"We are hoping we get a large crowd of alumni and current students," said Paul Thompson, owner of The Palms. "The game at Arrowhead may slow it down,

but if the weather is good we should have a good turnout."

With the all of the preparation and stock increases in alcohol, Wal-Mart will also be refreshing employees on the severe repercussions of selling alcohol to minors. If a cashier is caught selling to a minor they will not only be ticketed by Maryville Public Safety, but they will also lose their job. Wal-Mart will also be working with the new laws regarding keg sales as a way to prevent minors from having access to alcohol.

Other businesses will also be running actions to counter the chances of minors drinking in their establishments, such as checking IDs and working the front entrance.

For Yates, whose bar does not admit patrons under age 21, it's one problem he rarely must face.

"We work the door on weekends and we don't typically have a lot of problems with minors due to the amount of alumni and older people coming," said Yates.

Flag Plaza gives students chance to feel at home

By DOMINICK HADLEY
Missourian Reporter

Jeff Foot can't help but stop and salute whenever he passes the International Plaza and sees the Canadian flag in the wind.

Foot, international coordinator of the University of Maryville, is a native Canadian and white flag is a small reminder of home.

"I'm from Canada, so every time I walk by there I give a salute because it's nice to see," Foot said.

Foot will be one of the many people who will gather for the annual homecoming flag raising ceremony.

The event, which began in 1997, will begin at 10 a.m. Students, faculty and staff will march onto the plaza to raise 54 flags, representing the Northwest's communities.

Junior Gulshan Lakhoni, will raise India's flag. For Lakhoni, the flag raising will be a time where Indian students will come together and represent their country.

"It is very important because we are going to raise a flag that is very special," he said.

But for Foot, the flag raising is an important expression of the University's diversity.

"Symbolically, it represents a commitment to internationalism," said Foot. "I think having international students on campus taking classes from staff is important. We back that commitment in so many ways, but this is the most visible."

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Ambassadors prepare for Saturday's big game



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Members of the Bearcat Football Ambassadors hang their banner on the 50-yard line to mark their cheering spot for Saturday's game. Each member of the group is responsible for four or five Bearcat football players. The group mails letters to the players' parents, informing the families on how their son is doing on the team. Before the games, the ambassadors make locker decorations for all of the players. "It's fun getting to know the players and their families," said resident Jamie Roberts. "Also, a part of it is just having good school pride." In the off-season, the Ambassadors help with recruitment by giving campus tours to prospective student players.

Public Safety offers advice to weekend revelers

By KIMBERLY L. BRAND
Missourian Reporter

Homecoming weekend promises cheers and beers abound in town. But amidst the annual orna-
naos, someone must main-
tainable order and safety.
Public Safety officers
more excitement than a
weekend, and prepare for
mainly is a big deal," said
ty Officer Ron Christian.
lots of people running
people come in to watch the
a lot of alumni come in."
Safety recognizes alcohol-
issues as "the number-one
for the weekend.

"Proportionally, there aren't more problems than a typical weekend," Christian said. "It's just that there are so many more people in town, and a small percentage of folks do not use good discretion."

Christian noted that officers prefer to "maintain a high visibility," acting as a deterrent to misbehavior. "[Visi-
bility] at least reminds people that we're out in full force," Christian said. "If people are going to go out and per-
haps consume alcohol, we want them to think ahead, to think of the conse-
quences."

Officers will be patrolling more heavily Thursday through Saturday, not targeting specific places but more closely watching the North-
west campus area.

Campus Safety will also be

monitoring alcohol use on and off campus. All 10 Campus Safety of-
ficers will be on duty and will take
action for parking offenders and al-
cohol violators.

Campus Safety Director
Clarence Green asked for people to
be mindful of the reserved parking
lots on the University campus.

"Just go out," Green said, "and
enjoy the festivities."

Christian emphasized that Pub-
lic Safety does not aim to spoil the
Homecoming revelry, but to ensure
that everyone stays safe through-
out the busy weekend.

"Simply know the rules," Chris-
tian said. "If you're not 21, don't
drink and if you do choose to par-
ticipate, plan ahead to make sure
you get home safely."

Bars to offer more than booze this Homecoming

By ASHLEY BALLY
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

In tradition with the festivities of
Homecoming, local bars are working
at attracting part of the large crowd
of students and alumni in town this
weekend.

At The Palms, owner Paul Thomp-
son is preparing for the Homecoming
competition by booking the bands
Sevenfold Tomorrow and KounterTop
to perform in his establishment this
weekend.

The Kansas City band Sevenfold
Tomorrow has opened for The Warped
Tour, and performed with alternative
rock groups such as Taking Back Sun-
day and Three Days Grace. Sevenfold
Tomorrow has also recently released a

new album, "Still Enough to
Leave," and receives regular radio
play on 96.5 The Buzz in Kansas
City. The band KounterTop is a
former winner of the Battle of the
Bands held in
Ames, Iowa.

"I go with
the flow to
find out what
it is the people
want," said
Thompson in
regards to the
talent booked.

Sevenfold
Tomorrow is set to perform on Sat-
urday, and KounterTop on Friday.
"These bands do really well in
their performances," Thompson

said.
At The Pub, owner John Yates will
be opening earlier and offering the
bloody mary buffet that is set for ev-
ery Northwest home game.

"We expect
people to come in
spurts varying on
the weather and the
attendance to the
parade," Yates said.

Other establish-
ments holding
events include Kegs
and Eggs at The
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Outback will open at 6 a.m. on game
day to serve current students and
alumni with a catered breakfast and
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JOHN YATES
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Winstead, Frohwirth among elite to be honored in weekend inductions

By JEROME BOETTCHER
Assistant Sports Editor

Maybe it's not Cooperstown or Can-
ton but to four lucky individuals, and
one team, it's a Hall of Fame.

It's the M-Club to be exact. It's
Northwest's Hall of Fame and every year
during Homecoming weekend a lucky
few have the honor of being inducted
into the Club.

Among those being inducted Friday
are Todd Frohwirth, Leticia Gilbert
Parks, Dave Svehla, Wayne Winstead and
the 1966-67 wrestling team.

Frohwirth attended Northwest before
going onto a successful career in Major
League Baseball. Frohwirth started off
for the Philadelphia Phillies in 1987. He
then went to the American League and
played for the Baltimore Orioles, Bos-
ton Red Sox and the California Angels.
He averaged a 3.6 ERA during his ca-
reer.

Amongst some of Frohwirth's team-
mates were notables like current players
Garrett Anderson and Jim Edmonds and
legendary players like Lenny Dykstra and
Fernando Valenzuela.

Finishing with one national cham-
pionship and two runner-up titles, Parks
made a good career at Northwest. A
1989 graduate, Parks was an All-Ameri-
can five times and qualified for nation-
als six times from 1987 to 1989 in in-
door and outdoor track.

Svehla was the leading tackler in
Northwest football history. He had the
most tackles in one season. He was also
named All-American by Sporting News
Magazine. He was named All-Confer-
ence three times and was also named
Academic All-Conference in both foot-
ball and baseball. He graduated in 1992.

Winstead coached Northwest
women's basketball for 20 years. As of
right now, he holds the record for most
wins by a Northwest coach at 311.

In 1983-84 he led a team to the Sweet
16 of the Division II Tournament. It
was the first women's basketball team at
Northwest to make it that far. That same
year, Northwest won 20 straight games,
a Northwest record that still holds up
today.

However, the most memorable mo-
ment to Winstead was when both Cen-
tral Missouri State basketball teams came

in to Northwest during that season and
Northwest swept the series. The men
won in overtime while the women won
in double overtime. CMSU would go
on to win the national championship
in both men and women's basketball.
A feat that wouldn't be matched until
this past year when the University of
Connecticut swept both titles.

"It was one great night for basket-
ball at Northwest," said Winstead.

Winstead is extremely honored to be
inducted but he says that he couldn't
have done it without help.

"It's really quite an honor," Winstead
said. "A lot of people were involved in
my trip to the Hall of Fame."

Finally, the wrestling team from
1966-67 will be inducted on Friday.
The team was ranked No. 9 that year
by Amateur Wrestling News. The team
not only won the conference cham-
pionship but finished 12-3 with wins over
Nebraska, Kansas and Missouri.

The banquet will be at 1 p.m. Fri-
day in the Student Union Ballroom.
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What is your
favorite part of
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Stephanie Stangl

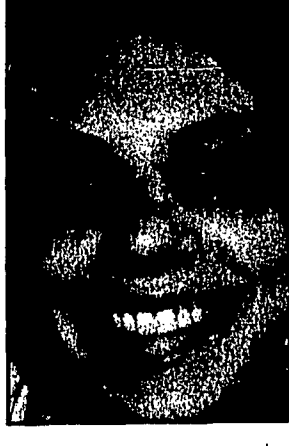
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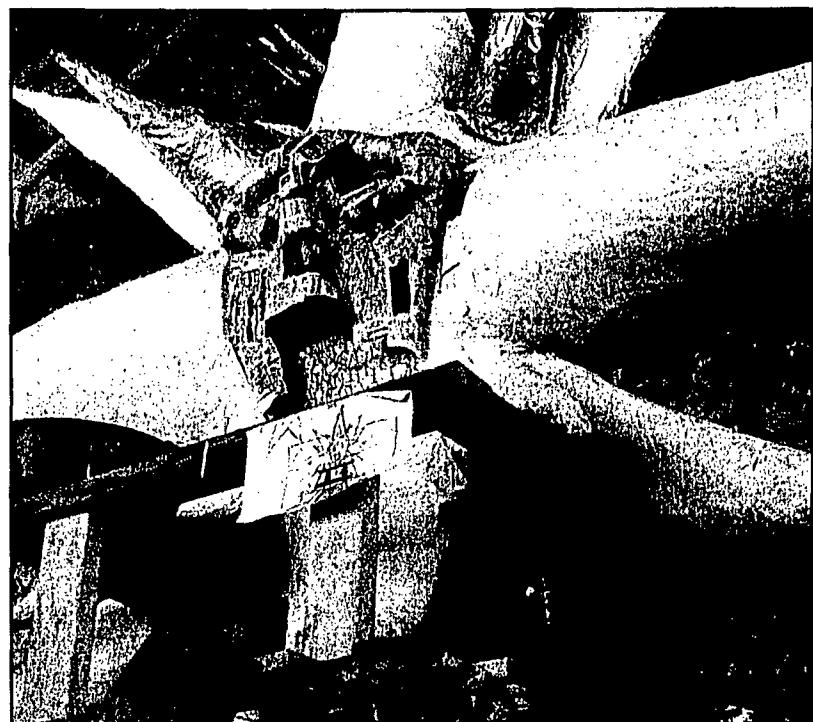
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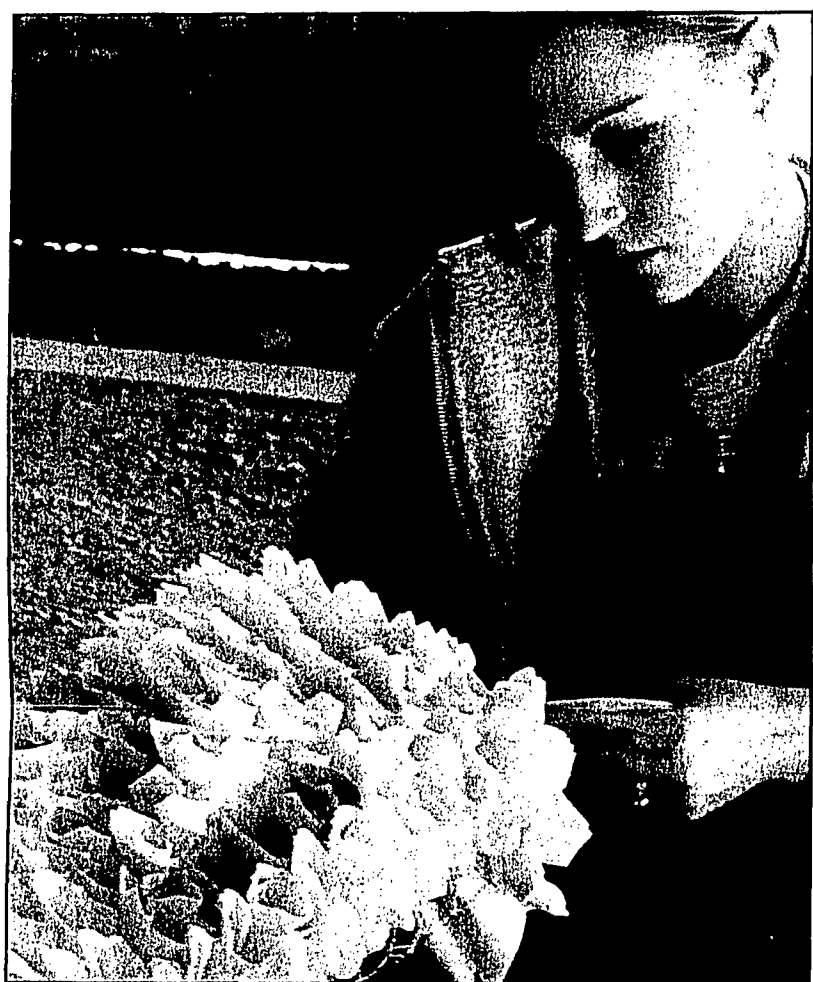


The sun situated atop the Phi Mu and Delta Chi float was a five-hour paper mache effort of both Greek organizations.



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Craig Knudsen and Eric Harbin work to finish the Delta Chi and Phi Mu float for the parade on Saturday. Though no specific number of float hours are required, each Delta Chi is encouraged to spend at least 10 hours a week working on the float.



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Jennifer Magel helps put on the finishing touches to Alpha Sigma Alpha's float. For three weeks, each girl was assigned 18 hours each week in float hours.

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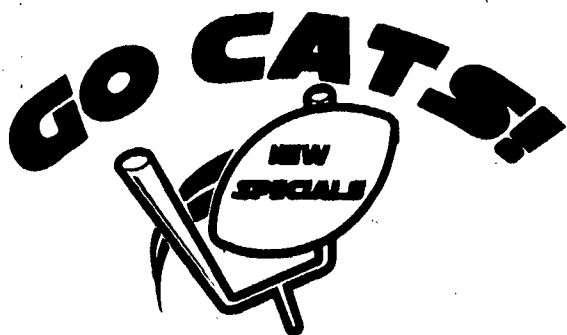
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